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Slick Sled Box



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About a half dozen youngsters braved the chilly temperatures as they took part in the cardboard sled box race held as part of Hanson Hills Recreation Area's Winter Fun Days on Sunday. Above, Jake Swander, 10, a fifth grader at Grayling Elementary School, made it all the way down the ski slope in his sled box cruiser, which he made with his dad, Chad Swander.

Funding finalized for animal shelter

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Crawford County and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) officials went through the final hoops to secure funding for a new county animal shelter on Friday.

Officials finalized the closing documents for the new Animal Shelter of Crawford County facility, which is being built on the property at the Crawford County Fairgrounds.

In January, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners authorized the USDA to issue bonds totalling \$400,000 to pay for the new shelter.

A total of \$130,000 was made available after the closing agreement on Friday to pay for architectural and construction bills accrued for construction of the shelter.

"We have jumped through all the major hoops we had to jump through to finance the shelter, and now we just have to complete construction and occupy the building," said Crawford County Administrator Paul Compo.

Wakefield Construction, Inc. of Houghton Lake, the contractor hired to build the shelter, has completed a majority of cement and masonry work for the project.

"They're just waiting for a break in the weather so they can get it framed in and can get going again," said Sharon Priebe, president of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County

Board of Directors.

The Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, which is located across from the county fairgrounds, agreed to an utility easement allowing the shelter to extend power lines to the new facility, saving between \$7,000 and \$10,000 in construction costs.

"The graciousness of the folks at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church has resulted in a huge cost savings for us and they have been extraordinary nice to help us out," Priebe said.

The shelter board hopes to have the stray dogs and cats housed in the new facility by mid-May or June 1.

"It's been a tough winter at the current shelter, and the new shelter, which will be more efficient for everybody all the around, is truly needed," Priebe said. "It's been good working with the county and the support from the community has been wonderful."

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County, Inc., a non-profit agency, has operated the shelter since 1991 when the county decided it would no longer run the shelter due to budget woes.

The shelter facilities, located on the property leased from the Crawford County Road Commission, are in dire need of repair and replacement.

The Crawford County Road Commission Board last year extended the lease for the current

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Officer handling blight cases in Grayling Township

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Grayling Township's first ordinance enforcement officer had handled about two dozen blight enforcement issues during his first month on the job.

Randy Sedgwick started as Grayling Township's ordinance enforcement officer on Jan. 2.

Sedgwick's main job is to address blight issues in the township, which consists of people keeping junk, garbage, rubbish and inoperable vehicles on their property.

Sedgwick, who does not have a background as a zoning or enforcement officer, said his desire to be more involved in the community motivated him to throw his hat in for the job.

"I enjoy helping out the community, and I think that is what this job is all about is making Grayling Township a safe and inviting place to live, so that was one of the inviting things that drew me to this job," Sedgwick said.

Sedgwick has been working hand-in-hand with Bob Dixon, the Grayling Township building inspector, and Terry Wright, the

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Planner appointed to fill city council seat

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A Grayling resident who has several years of planning experience for the federal government was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Grayling City Council Monday.

The Grayling City Council appointed Dennis Robinson to fill a vacant seat on the Grayling City Council at a special meeting on Monday.

Robinson, Dennis Palmer, a former city council member, and Justin Thompson, were interviewed for the position.

Robinson serves as a consultant for the Region Seven Homeland Security Planning Board, which covers 17 counties in the northern Lower Peninsula. Robinson works with emergency planners and 911 operators on the board, which is funded through the Michigan State Police's Homeland Security Division.

Robinson worked 22 years for the U.S. Department of Defense

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animal shelter through 2007, but have future plans for the use of the property.

An agreement between the county and the animal shelter

board stipulates that the shelter will reimburse expenses associated with the design, planning and construction of the shelter. The USDA bonds will be paid off over next 30 years.

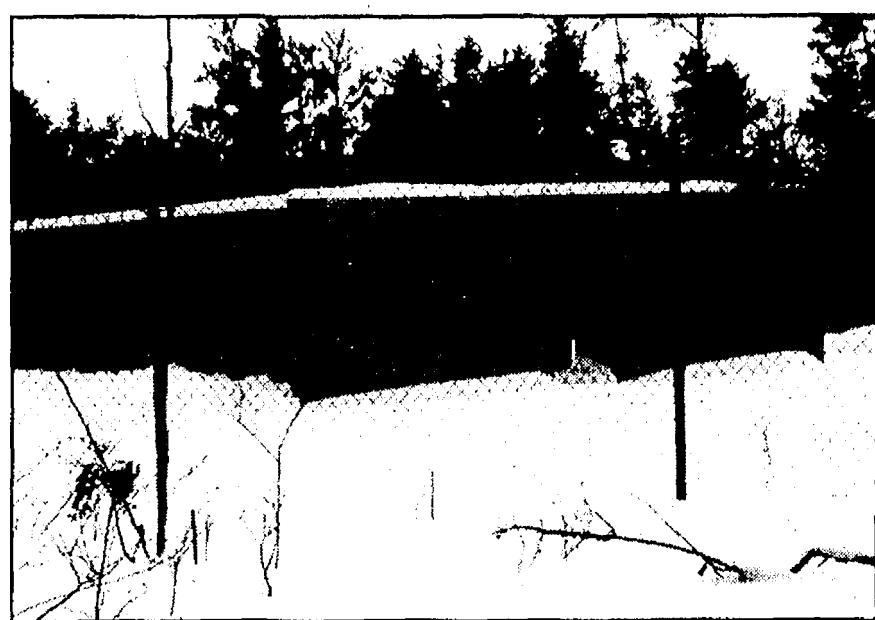


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CASD school board seats up for election

Two seats are up for reelection on the Crawford AuSable School District Board.

The seats currently held by Bill Dean, the current school board president, and Lewis

Madill, the board vice president, are up for election on the Tuesday, May 8 school election ballot.

Residents who live in the school district who wish to run for the board can obtain a petition from Crawford County Clerk Sandy Moore.

Prospective candidates must submit a nominating petition with a minimum of 40 signatures from school district voters or pay a \$100 fee in lieu of circulating petitions.

The petitions are due at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13.

\$10,000 Raffle Winner



Rick Febey of Grayling was the winner of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce's \$10,000 raffle, which was held as part of the chamber's Annual Community Awards Night ceremony held on Saturday, Jan 27, at the Grayling Holiday Inn. Above, Febey, pictured with Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce President Tim Zigala, picked up his winning check at the chamber office.

Tax renewal placed on school ballot

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Crawford AuSable School District voters will be asked to renew a millage levied on second homes and business properties to guarantee funding for local schools.

A millage proposal that will ask voters to renew the 18 mills levied on non-homestead properties will be on the Tuesday, May 8 school election ballot.

Under proposal A, the school funding proposition passed in 1994, school districts must seek approval from local voters to levy the tax. Non-homestead

taxes are collected on businesses and second homes such as cabins and vacation homes. School districts can seek the tax for periods from one to 20 years.

The Crawford AuSable School District is in the last year of a 10-year request for the non-homestead tax levy, said Superintendent Joe Powers.

"We have to ask for voter approval to continue to collect the tax on non-homestead property," Powers said.

The tax is a critical part of the school district's financial picture since it makes up about \$5

million of the district's \$16.2 million budget.

"Without the non-homestead tax, we couldn't operate our schools," Powers said.

The Crawford AuSable School Board is opting to ask for just a three-year renewal for the non-homestead tax, anticipating that there may be significant changes in school funding in the next couple of years, Powers said.

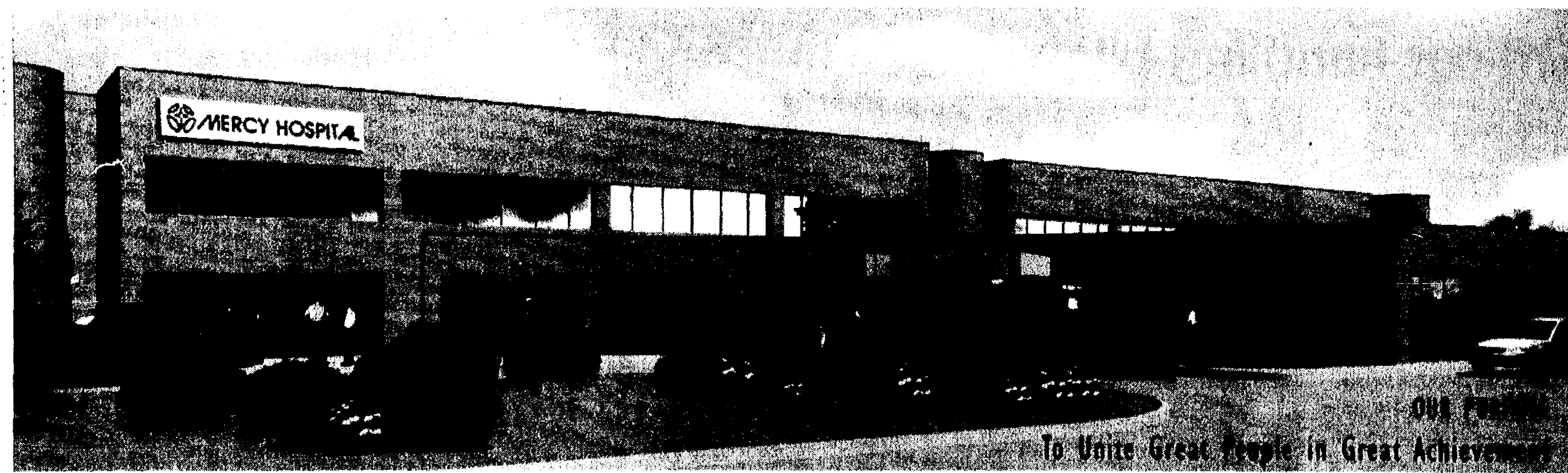
"This has zero-effect on a person's regular home whatsoever," Powers said. "If we don't collect the 18 mills, the state does not make up the difference."

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townships supervisor and zoning administrator, as he learns his role as the ordinance enforcement officer.

Sedgwick has handled between 20 to 25 cases which township residents have made a complaint about or phoned into the township offices.

So far, Sedgwick said the property owners he has dealt with have been cooperative.

"We have to be patient because we can't expect some of these problems to be fixed overnight," Sedgwick said.

Sedgwick will first call a homeowner to inform them that a complaint has been made about their property. If there are not steps taken to comply with the ordinance, Sedgwick will then send out a series of letters that spell out the nature of the complaint, the township regulations and the legal actions that will be taken against the property owner. Violation of the township's blight ordinance is a \$100 fine for a first offense, \$250 fine for a second offense and \$500 for a third or each subsequent offense. Sedgwick can also get Grayling Township Attorney Rich Jaskowski involved with the case in order to gain compliance with the ordinance.

"Nobody wants to go that far," Sedgwick said. "Hopefully, things get taken care of on a personal level, because nobody wants the government intruding in their lives."

Sedgwick is in the Grayling Township offices from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Grayling Township board amended the township budget in November to hire a part-time ordinance enforcement officer. Township officials were able to

earmark the funds to hire the zoning officer due to savings on a pair of road projects done on Old Dam Road and Margrethe Boulevard last year.

Nine people applied for the zoning ordinance enforcement officer position, Wright said. Sedgwick was among two finalists interviewed for the job.

Wright said Sedgwick's demeanor was a positive attribute that stuck out from the other candidates vying for the job.

"We don't want to be out there doing hardcore enforcement," Wright said. "We want somebody that can work with people, and Randy has shown that he can work with people."

Sedgwick, and his wife, Connie, moved from Saginaw to Grayling Township in 1998.

"Our kids went away to college, so we decided to take the grand experiment and move north," Sedgwick said.

Connie is a former field representative for the Mid-Michigan Child Care program, a service which monitors day care operators to ensure that children are being provided nutritious meals.

Randy worked as a Title One instructional aide for the Swan Valley School District in Saginaw. While living in Grayling, Sedgwick has worked as a delivery driver for Promed Delivery Service, as a seasonal campground maintenance employee for the Department of Natural Resources and substitute janitor for the Crawford AuSable School District.

Sedgwick's love for canoeing drew him to the community.

"I love paddling, so the proximity of the AuSable and Manistee Rivers was high on my priority list," Sedgwick said. "I spend more time on the river than I do in a car."



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in Battle Creek, handling emergency planning issues. Prior to that, Robinson worked for the Federal Emergency Planning Administration.

Robinson, his wife Becky, and daughters, Renee Clair, 16, and Sarah Robinson, 12, moved to Grayling two and half years ago.

"I wanted to get involved in the community," Robinson said. "I have some things I can offer and I figured that this was a way to do that."

Robinson replaces Kim Millikin, who resigned from her position on the council on Dec. 22 because she moved to a home in Grayling Township and could no longer serve on the city panel.

Millikin was appointed to the city council in Feb. 2006, replacing Joe Ferrigan, the former Grayling mayor who resigned to devote more time to coaching the Grayling High School wrestling

team.

Grayling Mayor Larry Akers said council members thought Robinson was the most capable of the three candidates to fill the position.

"He does have a lot of background in planning, and that was a big plus for him," Akers said.

Robinson's term on the council expires in November. He told city officials he planned to run in the next election if he received the appointment.

There will be three seats up for reelection on the city council in November, said Grayling City Manager David Thayer.

Palmer, the manager of the Grayling Army Airfield for Camp Grayling, told city officials that he plans to retire and it was unlikely that he would seek reelection if he received the appointment, Thayer said.

Thayer anticipates that Thompson, 26, a veteran of the

U.S. Marine Corp, will likely run for the city council or try to serve the city in some other capacity. Thompson is involved in a nuisance trapping business, Thayer said.

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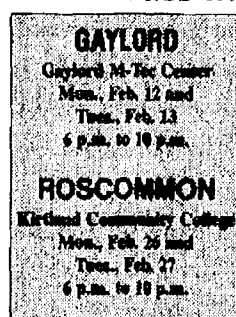
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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

It's in the papers: Voters mistrust politicians

SOME THINGS I've learned from reading newspapers:

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TRUST AND TRADE – News reporters can hold their heads high ... at least higher than politicians, oil men, used car sales folks and even lawyers.

According to a survey conducted a month before last November's election, politicians don't rank very high in public trust, which probably isn't exactly news.

Of six professions listed, 35 percent ranked politicians as the least trustworthy.

Next were oil company executives at 17 percent, used car salesmen at 14 percent, lawyers at 11 percent, news reporters at 10 percent, and mechanics at 5 percent.

The remaining eight percent of responses were split among none of the above, or strictly non-committal.

In this survey of 600 likely Michigan voters last October, politicians fared the worst among

independent voters, with Democrats a bit more willing than Republicans to trust politicians.

None of those levels of public trust is impressive, and having even 10 percent of the people mistrusting news reporters still is not a very good picture for the news profession.

According to the survey, Detroit voters (14.6 percent) and strong Republicans (21.1 percent) were least likely to trust news folks, and the more Democratic leaning the voters, the weaker their distrust of reporters ... which probably doesn't surprise the "strong Republicans" at all.

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NEW YEAR FEARS – More statistics for this tidbit.

A telephone poll of 1,000 adults conducted in mid-December revealed a depth of uneasiness among the public about how 2007 will turn out. For example:

• 93% said it's likely that gas

prices will go up during 2007.

• 74% said global warming will get worse.

• 71% think it's unlikely the US will withdraw troops from Iraq.

• 70% expect the United States will be hit by a major natural disaster.

• 64% think terrorists will attack somewhere in the world with biological or nuclear weapons.

• 61% think it's likely terrorists will attack the US directly.

• 50% predict bird flu will arrive in the US.

Wow! Will it really be all that bad? I prefer to look for the silver lining. It's more fun.

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OIL REBATE – I read in the papers that Alaskans last year received state checks for \$1,106 each, thanks to dividends from Alaska's huge oil reserves.

The annual dividend is one of the advantages of living in Alaska. That's not a bad deal.

Hummmmm! I also see in the

papers that several plants around Michigan are getting into the ethanol business, turning corn into auto fuel.

Do you suppose the day will come when the state of Michigan will send each one of us a check every year distributing royalties from our thriving alternate-fuel production?

Probably not in 2007, but we can all hope that day will come.

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SUPER BOWL ADS – For ads during the 2007 Super Bowl game, sponsors shelled out \$2.6 million for a 30 second spot. That's more than \$5 million per minute of advertising.

They have to sell an awful lot of beer to make back \$5 million per minute of advertising, but sponsors must feel it's worth it. They keep coming back.

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UFO IN CHICAGO – I read in the paper that some airline employees, including a few pilots, swear they saw a mysterious saucer-shaped aircraft hover-

ing over O'Hare airport in Chicago last fall.

The unidentified object showed no lights, and after hovering over an airport terminal, shot up through the clouds and disappeared, the employees claimed.

Informed of the "spinning disc-shaped object," federal officials found nothing out of the ordinary on the radar, and blamed the whole thing on "a weather phenomenon."

One somewhat sardonic O'Hare controller hinted at a different explanation, as quoted in an Associated Press news report.

"To fly 7 million light years to O'Hare and then have to turn around and go home because your gate was occupied is simply unacceptable," he said.

To anyone who has sat in a closed aircraft for the uncomfortable and frustrating wait for a gate to open up so your trip can be over, that sounds entirely possible and even logical.

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CORRECTION – Those are just a few things I wouldn't know if I didn't read newspapers. Now, here's an admission and a correction.

In a recent Almanack about presidential candidates, real and potential, I misspelled the name of former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani of New York, and it's not the first time I have made this error. In Rudy Giuliani, the "I" comes before the "U" and I apologize.

One editor reported the correction and offered a semi-apology for "nitpicking."

No, Ms. Editor, that's not nitpicking. That's just being correct, and newspapers are supposed to be correct, even columnists. So, thank you, and I'll try to remember. "I" before "U" as in Giuliani.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

Grayling should remain a town that reveres its legends and local lore

To the editor:

I am writing on behalf of my mother, Victoria Nelson, and my children, regarding the proposed name change of Nelson Drive. Nelson Drive is located off Danish Landing Road, providing direct access to Lake Margrethe. My children represent some of the sixth generation Nelsons. We have recently had an addition to the family that is the beginning of the seventh generation of the Lake Margrethe Nelson's.

I am shocked and amazed that a progressive community such as Grayling would consider the change of such a historic road. I do not want to belabor you with

historic information that is readily available through the historical society or through back issues of the Avalanche, but I feel I would be remiss if I did not mention just a few facts. Peter Nelson moved his family to the Grayling area in 1883. In 1904 some of this land was then sold to a community of Danes, hence the name "Danish Landing". Since 1883, the Nelson family has played a significant role in the history of Grayling. For example, in 1917 Hans Nelson (son of Peter) built and operated the first modern gas station in all of northern Michigan. We can only speculate as to what far reaching affect this

had on the economic success of the Crawford County area.

The city and county resources that will be spent on a road name change will be significant. Besides the obvious signage issues, maps, EMS directives and guidebooks will all have to be changed. It will also be an undue burden on private citizens as they must change all of their personal information; Social Security, Medicare and bank information just to name a few. My mother and aunt are full-time residents on the lake while the majority of the other landholders on Nelson Drive are simply summer dwellers. Does this not seem an

undue burden on the community for the capricious whim of just a few?

The purpose of the town council and its sub-commissions are to make decisions that are in the best interest of the community. I guess that at this point Grayling needs to decide what sort of community they want to be. Does it want to remain a town that reveres its legends and where citizens can proudly regale local lore? Or does Grayling want to become a town that values the whim of one or two and honors the new and flashy? Are we to change the name of Danish Landing, too, simply to satisfy

someone's fancy? If so, it is a sad commentary on those that the Grayling citizens have placed their trust.

My children are lucky to have had solid relationships with not only their grandparents but their great-grandparents (Earl and Alice Nelson). They are very aware and are very proud of the fact that Lake Margrethe is steeped in history. They can recount their grandfather's and uncle's boyhood stories around the lake. When they attend a family gathering they can see in their mind's eye, the generations of Nelson's that have romped on that same land. When they mow

the grass, they are very conscious of the sweat and tears that have fallen in order for them to live and enjoy Lake Margrethe. They are proud of that and I am proud of them for that.

If the town council elects to pass this road change, it will be a sad day. We should all be glad that Peter, Hans, Matilda, Earl and that 1904 community of Danes are not around to see it. They would be ashamed.

William E. Nelson
POA/Guardian Victoria
Nelson
Speedway, Indiana

Letters to the Editor

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Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be

considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

Historically Speaking



Winter sports at Hanson Hills used to bring thousands of people to Grayling for skiing and tobogganing. Pictured above is a photo of the train depot on Michigan Avenue bringing visitors from Detroit, Chicago and other places to the winter wonderland activities that Grayling had to offer.

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BRIEFS

COA to host speaker

The Grayling Senior Center will hold a dinner on Thursday, Feb. 15 at 5 p.m. followed by a presentation by Craig Kasmer from Hartwick Pines with information on the logging industries in Grayling. The cost of the meal is a suggested donation of \$2 for seniors 60+ or \$4 for those under 60. The Grayling Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale St. For information or transportation call Elouise Mize at 348-7123.

50s and 60s band to perform at high school

The Classics 50s and 60s Band will perform as part of the Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series on Saturday, Feb. 10, at the Grayling High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available for \$12 adults and \$10 senior/students at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce or at the GHS auditorium door. For more information call the Grayling Chamber at 989-348-2921.

Support group for females will be held

A 12-week support group for female survivors of sexual violence will begin on March 2, at the River House Shelter, Grayling. If interested call Kriss at 348-3169 or 888-554-3169.

Sheriff to attend township meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will attend the Beaver Creek Township meeting on Monday, Feb. 12, at 7 p.m. He will be there throughout the meeting, and if necessary, remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

Church to hold concert and dinner

The Burning Bush Tabernacle, Grayling, will host an authentic Italian dinner, silent auction and concert by Southern Praise (Al and Mary Ann Garza) on Sunday, Feb. 11, from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Cost is by donation. All proceed will go to the youth group. Everyone is welcome.

'Have A Heart' for the animals

Along with love, food, water and shelter, the best thing we can do for the homeless dog and cat population in our community is to have them spayed or neutered.

In 2006, the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, a 501c3 non-profit organization tasked with operating the only licensed refuge for homeless dogs and cats in our community, spent over \$7,000 altering shelter animals before adoption.

"Even with the generous discounts we receive from the Grayling Hospital for Animals and Simons Veterinary Clinic, the shelter must still raise funds for this expense," said Cheryl Ruley, secretary/treasurer.

To help defray these costs, the Animal Shelter has for many years campaigned for funds at businesses throughout the community with the Have A Heart fund raiser. Those wishing to help the shelter fulfill its mission to decrease the amount of unwanted litters in Crawford County and beyond, need only donate a dollar or more to the campaign.

"Honor a pet or someone you love by writing their name on a bright pink Have A Heart to be displayed at a participating business," Ruley said. "Hundreds of unwanted litters of puppies and kittens will be spared with your help."

Over \$650 was raised last February during the month long

campaign.

"As long as we have help with spay/neuter expenses, we can keep our adoption fees from rising dramatically, allowing more dogs, cats, kittens and pups to find new forever homes," said Shelter Director Cheryl Postma.

Adoption fees at the shelter run from \$75 to \$150, even though the average cost of caring for, vaccinating and altering each animal was \$209 in 2006. Michigan law demands that all animals adopted from shelters must be altered at the time of adoption or within 30 days of adoption if the animal is old enough and healthy enough.

"It is much easier for everyone involved when the dog or cat is spayed or neutered before it leaves the shelter for its new home," Postma said. "This saves us a lot of follow-up work and postage, as well as saving a lot of dogs and cats from producing more unwanted litters."

Visit one of 20 participating businesses around Grayling, Waters and Higgins Lake this month and Have A Heart for the animals.

Have A Heart donations are being accepted at the shelter located at 508 1/2 Huron Street in Grayling, or mailed to: ASCC, P.O. Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738-0384. Be sure to designate donations in the memo portion of the check or money order to: Have A Heart.

Department of State offices to close for Presidents Day

All branch offices and the Office of the Great Seal will be closed in observance of Presidents Day on Monday, Feb. 19.

The Department of State mails notices to motorists 45 days before their driver's license or license plates expire to give them ample time to renew. Licenses and plates that expire on a day when state offices are closed, such as a holiday or weekend, can be renewed the following day without penalty.

Motorists renewing license plates can "skip the trip" to the branch office and do business by mail, or if eligible, by Internet or touch-tone telephone. Easy to follow instructions can be found with the renewal notice. License plate tabs will arrive by mail within seven business days.

With the exception of holidays, branch offices are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Shelter offers low cost shot clinic

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County will host a low cost shot clinic on Saturday, Feb. 24, as a community service to help get more animals vaccinated and dogs licensed.

"With the deadline fast approaching to get dogs rabies vaccinated and licensed in Crawford County, we thought this was a good time for the shelter to give a little back to the community and hold a clinic," said Sharon Priebe, Shelter Board President.

Dogs must be rabies vaccinated by a licensed veterinarian and county licenses purchased by Feb. 28 to take advantage of the low cost of \$8 for an unsexed dog and \$15 for an intact dog. Beginning March 1, license fees increase to \$25, regardless of whether or not a dog is spayed or neutered.

Dr. Donna Simons, DVM, of Simons Veterinary Clinic in Elmira, and her staff, have agreed to partner with the shelter for this clinic. For years, Simons has been helping low income people in this community, and beyond, afford to keep their pets by offering her services at reduced prices.

"We would hate to have someone give up or abandon their beloved pet just because they didn't have the resources to have them properly vaccinated and licensed," said Shelter Director Cheryl Postma. "That would be so sad for the pet to be displaced and heartbroken. Many people who are on a fixed income, especially our seniors, absolutely need the companionship their pets provide. We want to help

keep those pets with the people who have loved and cared for them, and this clinic is a good way to help."

The clinic will be held Feb. 24, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the former Heirloom Antiques Mall, next to the Crawford County Avalanche, on Michigan Avenue in Grayling. Appointments are mandatory and can be made by calling Simons Veterinary Clinic at (231) 584-3500. Leave a message if necessary. Please do not call the shelter for information or to make an appointment.

For dogs, the following prices will be charged: Rabies Vaccine - \$11; annual Parvo/Distemper Booster - \$14; Heartworm Testing - \$20; Identification Micro-Chipping - \$22.

For cats, the following prices will be charged: Rabies Vaccine - \$8; annual Distemper Booster - \$8; Feline Leukemia Test - \$13; annual Booster with Feline Leukemia Vaccine - \$14.

Crawford County dog licenses will also be on sale at the clinic. Proof of current rabies vaccination from a licensed veterinarian must be presented at the time of license purchase.

"With this clinic, the big job of vaccinating and licensing a lot of pets can be accomplished," said Postma. "Once that is done, we can't say enough about how important it is to make sure your pets don't leave the house without their collars and identification tags on, especially their county license. It's the best way to help them find their way home if they should become separated from you."

DRUM! to bring unique beat to Kirtland

The Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts will be rockin' to the drums of a different beat, when a new musical production, DRUM!, from Nova Scotia brings its exciting combination of musicians, dancers, drummers and singers to the stage at Kirtland Community College's main campus on Saturday, Feb. 10.

DRUM! features and blends the best music and dance of a quartet of different cultures which ultimately come together and are bound by the Aboriginal tribal drum, with dancers, percussion and fiddle, Gospel, Acadian singers, Celtic soul in a thrilling musical spectacle.

The unique musical ensemble brings a new experience to the audience, defining and uniting the different cultures in a spectacle of sounds and styles, music, dance and costume.

DRUM! will be at the KCPA

for one show only on Saturday, Feb. 10, at 8 p.m. Ticket prices are \$26 in advance and \$28 at the door.

Child care services will be available at the Children's Learning Center for \$5 for one child or \$10 for a family. Parents are encouraged to call the KCPA Ticket Office at 989-275-6777 in advance to reserve child care services for this or any of the center's remaining events this season.

The Child Care Center is located on campus just a few hundred yards from the KCPA and will open at 7 p.m. the night of a performance, enabling parents to drop off their children, attend a concert and pick them up immediately following the evening's activities.

For more information on KCPA programs, people may visit online at www.kirtland.edu/kcpa.

Host families sought for international exchange

Local families are needed to host Japanese students, ages 12-15 for four weeks. The student will arrive in Michigan on approximately July 22 and depart on approximately Aug. 18.

Host families must have a child of the same gender and approximately the same age.

The exchange is part of the 4-H/Japanese international exchange program, however host families do not need to currently be a part of 4-H.

For more than 25 years, Japanese children have been experiencing one month homestays in America. The program gives families a chance to share their culture, friendship, and family life and learn about the Japanese culture at the same time. This summer, 60 Japanese LABO students will be visiting Michigan.

Host family applications and more information is available from the MSU Extension Office at 989-344-3266.

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<p>989-344-9197</p> <p>Jerry Northrop Fully Insured 561 Killeen Trail, Grayling, MI 49738</p>	

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The Bible Speaks

Joy in Tribulation

Being justified by faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ results in our peace with God, access by faith, abode or standing by grace, and anticipation of the future glory of God. (Romans 5:1,2). Now in Romans 5:3,4 we learn to glory in adversities or tribulation in the present as God's way to bring us to maturity and conform us to the image of Jesus Christ. "3And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; 4And patience, experience; and hope."

We can glory, rejoice and praise God as we face tribulation, affliction, or trouble because we understand it is God's purpose for our lives when we live godly in Christ Jesus. "Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." (2 Tim. 3:12). "For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. 7If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? 8But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons." Persecution

give us evidence we are God's children abiding under His love.

Not only do we understand God's purpose and way of testing us in tribulations, but we learn God's precepts which teach us God's will in tribulation. "...We glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh..." We know by God's word that tribulation works blessings for us. Jesus said in Matthew 5:10-12: "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. 12Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you."

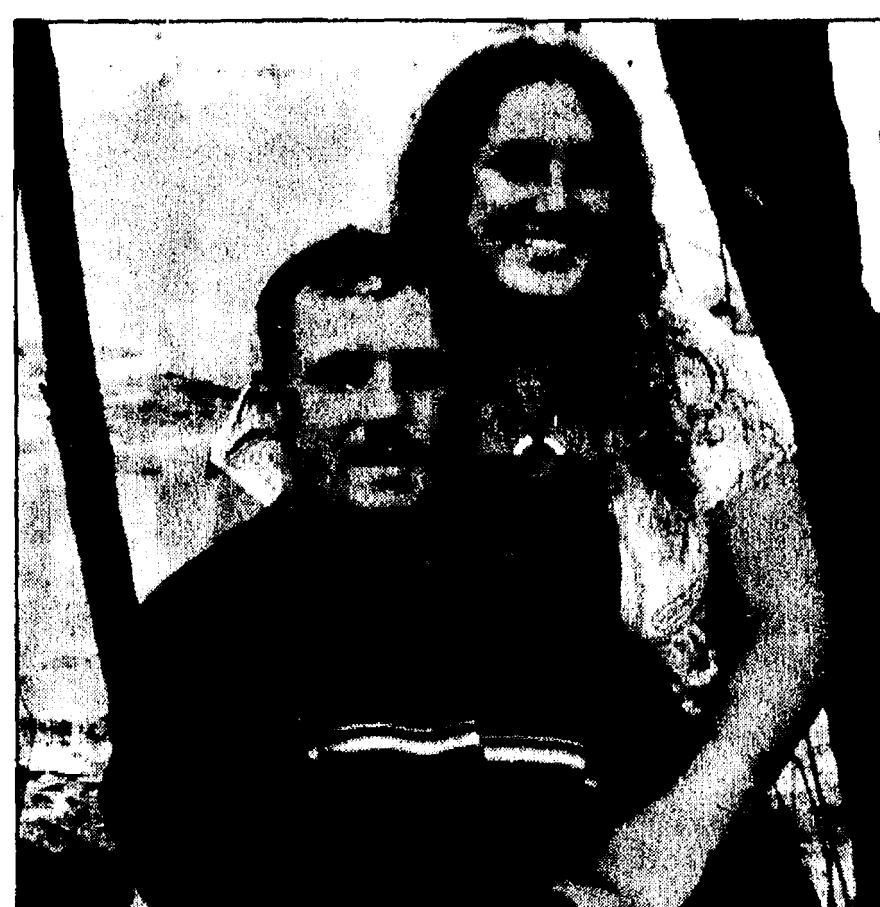
Not only do we learn God's purpose and precepts but also God's provision in tribulation. This provision is God's workmanship conforming us to the image of His Son. Patience is the first fruit of persecution in our lives. Patience is explained as "patient continuance in well doing" in Romans 2:7. It is referred to as "the patient waiting for Christ," in 2 Thessalonians 3:5. It is called "patience of Jesus

Christ," in Rev. 1:9). James 5:11 reminds us of the Old Testament example of patience: "11Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy."

The fruit of patience is experience: "...knowing that tribulation worketh patience; 4And patience, experience..." 2 Peter 1:6 reminds us that the experience of patience leads to godliness. "7That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:" (1 Pet. 1:7). "13But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy." (1Pet. 4:13). Tribulation, patience and experience lead us to hope. As Job said, "10But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold." Pastor "B"

The Bible Speaks is a paid advertisement and does not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of the Crawford County Avalanche.

Potter, Michels engaged



Jaime Potter and Scott Michels

Justin and Jodi Potter of Grayling announce the engagement of their daughter, Jaime, to

Scott Michels, son of Rich and Pam Michels, of Grayling. A 2008 wedding is planned.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (989) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Feb. 9 - Lunch - pork roast, baked potato, mixed vegetables, and applesauce. No Dinner. 12 p.m. Frederic and Maple Forest Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Saturday, Feb. 10 - Foot clinic, cost is \$15. Call 821-5428 for appt. and bring your own towel.

Monday, Feb. 12 - Lunch - smoked sausage, hot German potato salad, mixed vegetables, and applesauce. Dinner - baked chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, stewed tomatoes, and pears. 10 a.m. aerobics, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. Cardio.

Tuesday, Feb. 13 - Lunch - Salmon patty with cream sauce, glazed carrots, coleslaw, and pineapple. Dinner - baked potato with beef chili, broccoli with cheese sauce, and mixed fruit.

8:30 a.m. casino trip, 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. tax aide clinic, 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 5:30 p.m. Bunco, 6:30 p.m. housing commission board meeting.

Wednesday, Feb. 14 - Lunch-oven cheese omelet, winter blend vegetables, green bean casserole, and orange. Valentine Dinner - pork chops, marshmallow sweet potatoes, peas, and cake and ice cream. 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. poker, 5 p.m. Valentine dinner, 5:30 p.m. White Elephant auction.

Thursday, Feb. 15 - Lunch-BBQ meatballs, Italian blend vegetables, corn, and peaches. Dinner - beef stew, biscuit, green beans, and fresh fruit salad. 10 a.m. aerobics and craft class, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 1 p.m. pinocle, 5 p.m. speaker-Hartwick Pines, 5:30 p.m. Uno Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

OBITUARIES

Evelyn E. Drielick

Nov. 15, 1939 - Jan. 28, 2007

Evelyn E. Drielick, 67, of Saginaw, passed away on January 28, 2007, after a courageous battle with MDS.

She was born on November 15, 1939, in Grayling, to the late Norman and Laura (Moon) Johnston.

She married Walter Drielick on July 8, 1967. He preceded her in death on July 11, 2001.

She was employed at Quest Diagnostics and was a member of the Catholic faith. She enjoyed bowling, gardening, mushrooming, traveling and especially her family.

She is survived by children: Michelle Steiner, Lyn (Lynda) Drielick, Christopher Drielick, Marcia Zoellner, Nancy Tornow, Ruth (Tony) Cekola, and Laurie Drielick; step-daughter, Patricia (Thomas) Puschock; 11 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; sisters, Norma Judd and Loretta (Bill) Tobin; many nieces, nephews and special friends.

She was preceded in death by her four brothers: Leon, George, Keith and Chester Johnston.

A funeral service was held on February 1, at the Snow Funeral Home, with Chester Cherry officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Thelma M. Dutton

Aug. 15, 1916 - Jan. 29, 2007

Thelma M. (Barber) Dutton, age 90, of Roscommon, passed away January 29, 2007.

A funeral service was held on February 7, at Roscommon First Congregational Church, Roscommon. Arrangements by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

David Baker

David Baker, 32, of Grayling, passed away on February 4, 2007.

A full obituary will appear in next weeks edition of the Avalanche.

William Cox

William (Bill) Cox, 76, of Grayling, passed away on February 4, 2007.

A full obituary will appear in next weeks edition of the Avalanche.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 84 complaints the week of Jan. 29 - Feb. 4:

Three snowmobile incidents, six false alarm activations, two assault/intimidation/stalkings, one burglary/home invasion, five larcenies, one motor vehicle theft, one fraudulent activities, one damage to property, one obstruction of justice-contempt of court, eight public peace/disorderlies, four health and safeties, one conservation, four miscellaneous criminal offenses, one miscellaneous arrest, 11 traffic accidents, one property inspection, three civil matters/family disputes, six suspicious situations, 22 general non-criminal complaints, one driving violations/driving while license suspended and one driving on revoked/suspended license.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to: www.crawfordsheriff.org.

Church Directory

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348-6641

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Breakfast served until
11 a.m. on Sundays
I-75 Bus. Loop Grayling,
Ph. 348-2269

Christian Science Society
209 First St., Suite 103 • Gaylord
(989) 732-7001
Sunday Service 10:30 am
April through October
2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 pm
Sunday School 10:30 am

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974
Website: www.mmc-umc.org
Barrier Free
Traditional Service 8:30 & 11:15 am
Contemporary Service 10:00 am
Sunday School (preschool - 3rd grade) 11 am
Adult Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Children's Sunday School 11 am
(Childcare Available)

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Jorgensen
Phone 989-348-1909
Services held Saturday at
Camp AuSable off M-72 East
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)
Saturday Church School 9:30 am
Saturday Sabbath School 10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 pm

Lovells Community Chapel
(Bible based & non-denominational)
Pastor Larry Hankins
Associate Pastor Tom Faunce
8133 Bald Hill Rd. Lovells
989-348-2701
Sunday School (youth & adult) 10 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Wed Prayer & Bible Study 7-8 pm

Free Methodist
Rick Secord - Pastor
6652 (M-72 W) • 348-9093
Early Service 8:30 am
Sunday School 10 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

Emma Lowery United Church of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday School 11 am
Adult and Youth Sunday School 9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
heritagebaptist-grayling.org
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd. (1/4 mile west of I-75)
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Pastor Gary Walden
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Parsonage 348-7466
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Family Night Adult-Youth-Children (Wed) 7 pm

The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic
Sunday Worship 10 am

Westminster-By-The-Lake
(East of Ralph MacMullan Conference Center)
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(989) 821-9474
Sunday Worship 11:00 am

First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm

Grayling Valley Tabernacle Church of God
Pastor Donald Conik
(989) 627-3151
Meeting at the Primary School

This Church Directory is used by residents and visitors. If you wish to show your support for area churches, call the Avalanche at 348-6811, to be included on this page.

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
400 Michigan Ave.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President David Page
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament 10 am
Sunday School 11 am
Primary 11 am
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petre, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Service, Children's Church and Youth Service 11 am
Sunday Evening Service 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
(van transportation available)

St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
710 Spruce Street
348-5224
Sunday School 9:15 am
Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Community of Christ
Pastor Ann Doty
North Down River Rd. at
1030 Glenn Rd. • 348-9751
Church School 9:45 am
Preaching 11 am
Midweek Service Prayer 7 pm

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nailey, J.V., Pastor
Parish Office - 707 Spruce - 348-7657
Saturday Evening Masses 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses 10:00 am

St. Francis Episcopal
Reverend Elizabeth Chace
M-72 West - Office 348-5850
Morning Prayer Tues-Fri. 8:30 am
Eucharist (Wed) 8:30 am
Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:30 am

Resurrection Life Fellowship
Pastor Bud & Debbie Mann
Sunday Service 10:30 am
Mid Week Services (Wed) 7:00 p.m.
are held at Milltown Corner Building
(Behind Cornett Real Estate)
Mail: 9141 N. Cut River Rd Roscommon, MI 48653
Phone: 989-348-9382 or 989-821-6722
E-mail: reslifefellowship@hotmail.com

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) 7 pm

Church of Christ
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd. • 275-8613
In Search of the Lord's Way
Sunday Mornings on 7:30 am
TV 29 & 8 10:30 am
Sunday Classes 10:30 am
Sunday School 11 am
Sunday Evening 6 pm
1st Sunday Evening of every month there is no service.

Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor Lyle Stoder
211 Stillmeadow St. • 348-5385
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Worship 11 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Evening 7 pm

Grayling Baptist Church
Affiliated with S.B.C.
Pastor John Scott
705 Marsden St. • Grayling • 348-2557
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
Pastor David Rosenberg
Associate Pastor Scott Hoffer
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday Church Service 10 am - 6:30 pm
Sunday School 9 am
Bible Study (Wed.) 7 pm
Youth Group 2nd & 4th Wed. 6:30 pm

Luzerne Baptist
Pastor James Durrice
2247 Durfee Lane
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Morning Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm

Church of Christ of God
Pastor David Barker
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska • (231) 258-3448
Sunday School 10 am
Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm
Family Training Hour and Prayer (Wed) 7 pm

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church (LCMS)
(989) 348-9221
905 N. I-75 Bus. Loop
at the junction of M-93 & Old 27
Summer Worship:
Sunday Learning Hour 9:15 am
Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am

Unity Church of Today North
Terry Dickinson, Minister
Virtual Church - an Email Bible Study available at
tlmd@freeway.net

St. Martin's Lutheran (WEELS)
Douglas Carter - Pastor
For information call 989-821-6013
The Roscommon Community Center,
Sunday 9 am
510 South St., Roscommon, MI

Friendship Church
A Christian Reformed Ministry
Rev. Dick Oberg, Pastor
415 Oak North, Gaylord
Sunday School 9 am
Morning Worship 10 am
Tue. Women's Bible Study 10 am
Wed. Men's Bible Study 12 noon

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of Feb. 8 - 14 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will conduct live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during Feb. 8 - 14.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training

requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: (989) 348-6371.

For further information call 1-989-344-6320.

LIBRARY NEWS

Devereaux Memorial Library

The Mason-Griffith Founders Chapter of Trout Unlimited will be offering a six-week beginning fly tying class. Instruction will cover tying of 12 patterns commonly found in the AuSable and

Manistee River anglers fly boxes.

The fly patterns taught in the class will cover most techniques basic to fly construction.

The evening class will be held at the Devereaux Memorial Library, beginning on Tuesday, Feb. 13.

All tying tools and materials are included in the forty-dollar class fee. Proceeds will be used towards support of Chapter's Library activities. To register or for information call 989-348-5196.

In Memory of Penny, Ray Jr., and Rachel Sloan February 2, 1977

We little knew that morning God was going to call your names,

In life we loved you dearly In death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you

You did not go alone, For part of us went with you

The day God called you home. You left us beautiful memories

Your love is still our guide, And although we cannot see you

You are always at our side. Our family chain is broken

And nothing seems the same, But as God calls us one by one

The chain will link again.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Janette

Sunday - 1:00 pm
Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465
Eagles Club - 602 Huron
Grayling

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ON M-72 BETWEEN GRAYLING AND KALKASKA
Doors Open at 4:30 pm
Warm Up Start at 5:00 pm
Reg. Bingo Starts at 6:00 pm

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Photos courtesy of Fannie Finn's

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce held its annual Community Awards Night on Saturday, Jan 27, at the Grayling Holiday Inn. Above left, Steve Green, the commander of the American Legion Post #106, accepted the Silver Lining Award from Janet Varney-Small, the branch manager for the North Central Area Credit Union, the sponsor of the award given to the Legion for the extensive remodeling of the club's exterior. Above, right, Kim Millikin received the Chamber Ambassador of the Year Award for her work as a member of the Ambassadors Committee from Therese Kaiser, chairwoman of the Chamber's Ambassadors Committee and Tim Zigila, president of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce. Middle left, Kay Cosgray, pictured with Zigila, was honored with the 30th annual Citizen of the Year Award. Middle right, Lanice Rutter, was recognized as the 2006 ATHENA Award recipient. Below left, Kaiser, pictured with Zigila, and Dennis Palmer, not pictured, received plaques for their last six years of service as members on the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors.



Chamber holds annual Awards Night ceremony

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce held its annual Community Awards Night on Saturday, Jan 27, at the Grayling Holiday Inn.

Over 100 people were in attendance to take part in the awards night ceremony, which was sponsored by Citizens Bank of Grayling.

To start the event, the Chamber of Commerce recognized past board members who have completed their term of service on the Chamber Board of Directors. Dennis Palmer and Therese Kaiser were presented with plaques, thanking them for their service over the

last six years. Kim Millikin was awarded the Chamber Ambassador of the Year Award for her work as a member of the Ambassadors Committee.

The Silver Lining Award, sponsored by North Central Area Credit Union, was given to American Legion Post #106 for their extensive remodeling of the exterior of the building.

Milestones were reached in presenting both the ATHENA Award and the Citizen of the Year Award.

This year marked the fifteenth year of presenting the ATHENA Award in Grayling, sponsored by Scheer Motors.

The 2005 recipient, Ann Stephenson and Brad Scheer of Scheer Motors, presented the 2006 ATHENA Award to Lanice Rutter.

The second milestone was reached when the 30th Citizen of the Year Award was presented to Kay Cosgray. The Citizen of the Year Award was sponsored by Consumers Energy. Rounding out the evenings events was the Chamber Challenge Raffle, where one lucky winner walked away with the grand prize of \$10,000. In addition to the grand prize, \$2,000 in other cash prizes were awarded.

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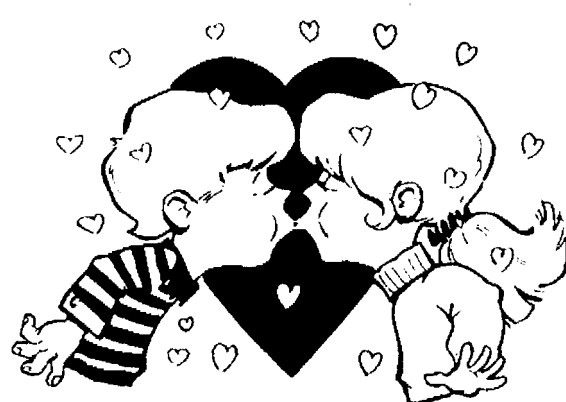
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Grayling exchange students attend car rally



Three local exchange students – Victor Gonzalez (left) from Brazil, Anders Larsen (center) from Denmark, and Janosch Kluge (right) from Germany – attended the 41st running of the Sno Drift car rally held January 26-27 in the Lewiston and Atlanta area. There are 10 races in the Rally America series. The Sno Drift rally is the first and the only Rally America race held in winter conditions. The last race in the series brings the drivers back to Michigan in October for the Lake Superior Rally in Houghton.



At the Sno Drift car rally, 50 street legal cars (modified for safety) competed for total elapsed time on 17 stages that took the racers through the woods of northern Michigan. The timed stages were 5-14 miles in length and typically traveled along challenging terrain. Travis Pastrana and co-driver Christian Edstrom, driving a 2006 Subaru Impreza WRX STI won the event. Pictured, Car #34 co-drivers Tanner Foust of Steamboat, Colo. and Scott Crouch of Boulder, Colo. race in the event. Additional information on the Sno Drift rally can be found on-line at www.sno-drift.org.

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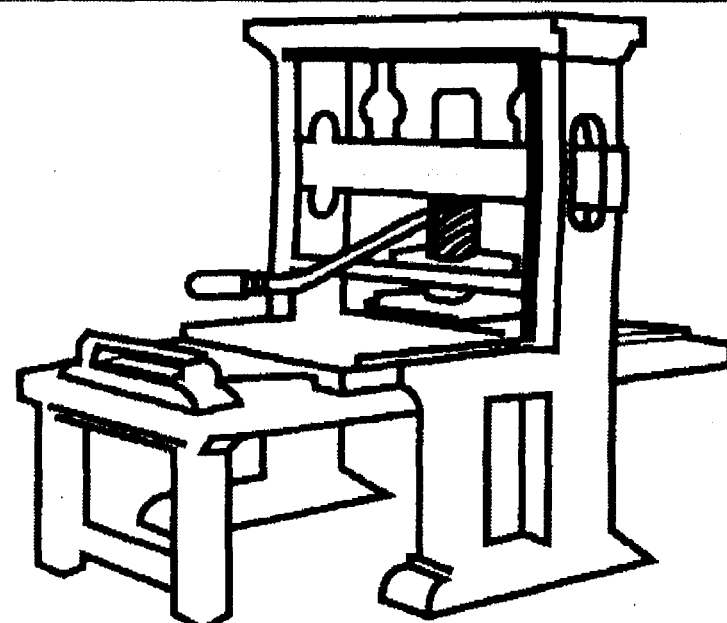
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The Classics, which was formed in 1999, will perform musical hits from the 1950's and the 1960's as near to the original recordings as possible.

The band consists of: Paul Coombs on bass guitar and vocals; Jim Dignan, the band manager, plays drums; Dave Martin sings lead male vocal and plays rhythm guitar; Ron Gould is on keyboards; James Jolliffe plays guitar, keyboard and is on vocals; Jack Ficara plays all saxophones; Nancy Oz is the lead female vocalist and plays flute; Fred Oliver plays trombone; Jeremy Sparks plays trumpet, and is on vocals.

Doors open at 6:45 p.m., per-



The Classics 50s and 60s band will be performing at the Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series at the Grayling High School Joseph Stripe Auditorium on Saturday, Feb. 10.

formance begins at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 adults or \$10 seniors and students and are available in advance at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce or at the door.

For more information on this performance or a schedule for the upcoming series call the Chamber of Commerce at 989-348-2921.

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Emergency department open house preview

Mercy Hospital Grayling offers the public a peek at its new Brasza-Pinch Family Emergency Department during a "Grand Opening Preview" on Feb. 12.

Grayling-area residents are invited to enjoy some refreshments and a tour of the 18,466-square-foot facility from 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 12. The new structure more than triples the size of the current Emergency Department.

"I think everyone will be amazed by the difference," said Pattie Walker, Director of the Emergency Department. Doors are set to open for patients on Wednesday, Feb. 14.

The new \$6.3 million structure - built in part with \$2.3 million in community gifts - features 15 private treatment rooms, two trauma rooms, a three-shower decontamination room, a special waiting area for children, and numerous other features designed to increase patient comfort and safety.

Each year more than 20,000 injured or acutely ill people

arrive at the Emergency Department seeking treatment. The current facility was designed to serve 10,000 patients. Projections show the region's population is expected to continue to grow in coming years.

The facility also serves Camp Grayling, the largest National Guard training site in the nation.

Walker said separate entrances have been designed for walk-in patients and those arriving by ambulance. The walk-in entrance located adjacent to the main hospital entrance, features heated sidewalks to eliminate ice hazards. Inside, the facility is designed to maximize patient privacy and staff efficiency.

"Our entire staff is eager to begin working in this beautiful facility," Walker said. "We appreciate everyone who helped make it happen through their generous donations and efforts. This is a wonderful and much-needed resource for the communities served by Mercy Hospital Grayling."

46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT

Sentencings for January 2007

Hon. Janet M. Allen

Richard John Kerr, age 32 of Rogers City - Plead guilty on Nov. 13, 2006 to controlled substance possession of methamphetamine and substance-delivery/manufacture marijuana; sentenced on Jan. 29, 2007 to serve 60 days in jail with credit for three days served; ordered to pay \$120 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs and \$500 penal fine; placed on probation for 18

months.

Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Shane Allen Hart, age 20 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Dec. 11, 2006 to controlled substance delivery schedule one-two-three; sentenced on Jan. 11, 2007 to serve six months in jail with credit for 72 days served; ordered to pay \$170 in restitution, \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 24 months.

HOMETOWN NEWS

Jennie Annis, of Grayling, was honored at a luncheon on her 90th birthday on January 30. Forty of her friends from Grayling and Roscommon assembled at the Grayling Masonic Temple to celebrate the day with her. Everyone sang "Happy Birthday" as she entered the dining room. In spite of the number of people who knew the secret, Jennie was totally sur-

prised. She is a long time resident of Crawford County and is the widow of the late Forrest Annis and the mother of three children: Annie and Skip Lake of Grayling and Williamsburg, Irene of Idaho, and Jerry of Alaska.

She is a 58 year member and Past Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

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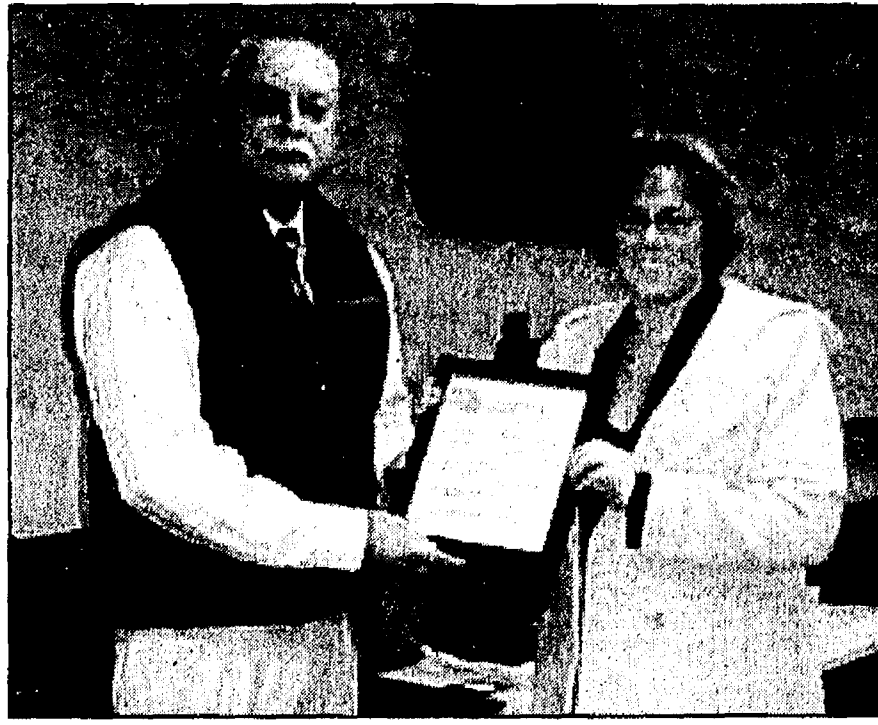
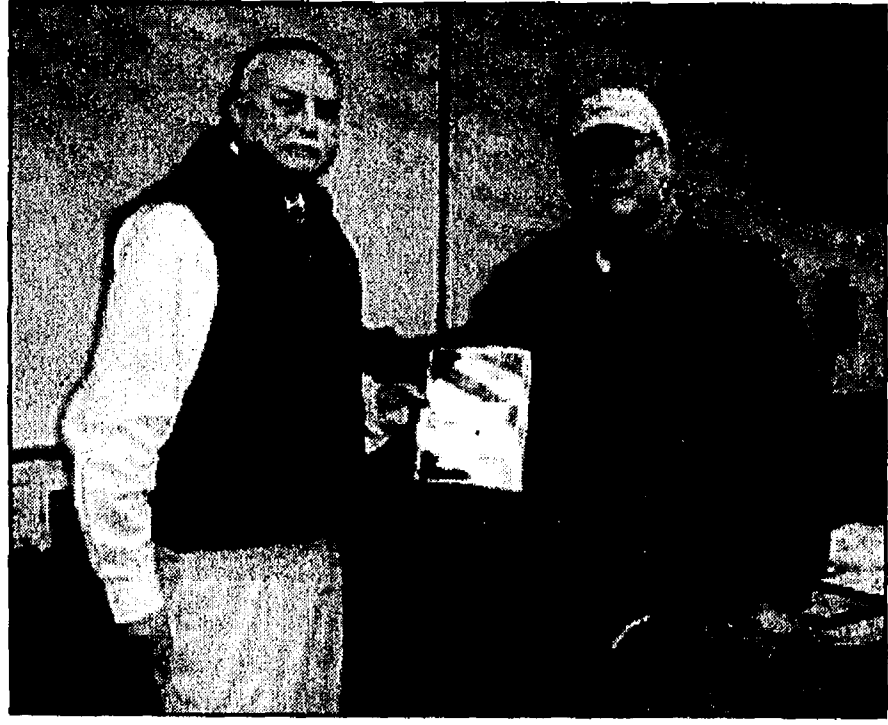
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Sheriff honors Officers of the Year



Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield presented his annual Officers Of the Year Awards for their outstanding performance for 2006 at a ceremony held at the Grayling City/Township Fire Department on Friday, Jan. 26. Above left, Deputy John McDonald was recognized with the Road Officer - Sheriff's Award of Excellence. Above right, Jason Alexander was honored with the Road Officer of the Year award. Below left, James Kelly received the Corrections Officer of the Year award. Below right, Renee Christman was recognized with the Corrections Officer - Sheriff's Award of Excellence. This is the second year in row Christman has been honored with the sheriff's award.

Band boosters continue patron program

The Grayling Viking Band Boosters will continue their Patron Program for the Crawford AuSable School District Instrumental Music program. Financial support of band students in grades 6 - 12 for the 2006-07 school year is invited.

The booster organization assists the Director of Instrumental Music, Matt Bishop with activities and programs to support and strengthen the instrumental education for students.

This year there are already 45 sixth graders enrolled in band. The seventh and eighth graders are preparing for their first concert of the year. The Grayling High School Viking Band marched at the AuSable Marathon Canoe River Festival Parade this past July, supported the football team at all home games and is now in full swing in concert season.

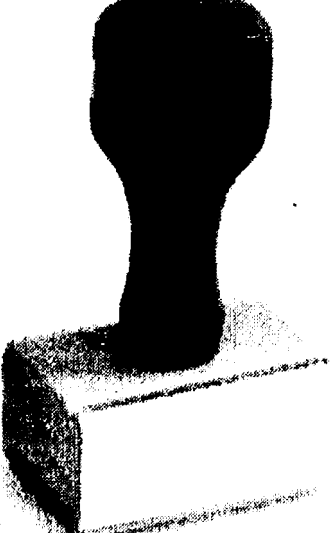
The students are now preparing for various honors band, solo

and ensemble festivals, band festivals, and of course, local concerts. Some students also perform in the pit for high school musicals, jazz band, the basketball games and other local groups.

Funds from the patrons support an extensive scholarship program for students to attend summer music camps, and feed the students for various events. The band organization also sponsors a scholarship for a college stu-

dent who intends to major or minor in music in honor of Dennis Ormsbee, former band director.

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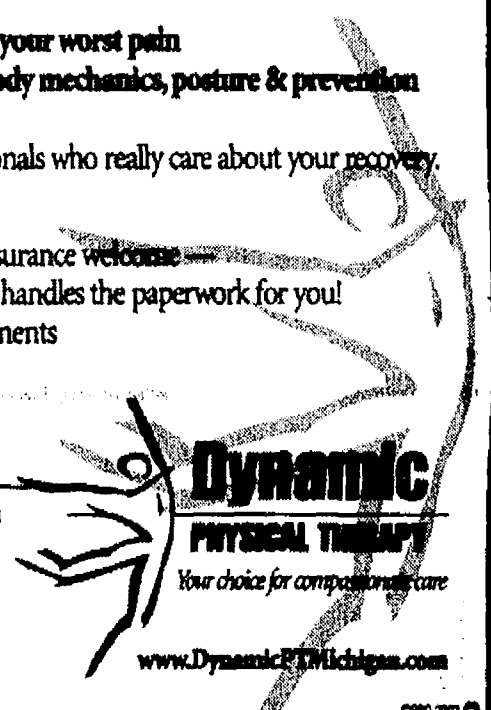
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Local Special Olympians compete at Hanson Hills

Over 100 Special Olympic athletes converged on Hanson Hills Recreation area last month for the Special Olympics Area Four Invitational Winter Games. Local athletes from the Michigan Special Olympics Area Four, which covers Crawford, Ogemaw, Roscommon and

Oscoda Counties, were joined by competitors from Bay City, Alpena, Manistee and Cadillac. The Special Olympics Area Four Invitational Winter Games were held on Tuesday, Jan. 23. Due to the lack of snow for most the winter, this was the first opportunity that most of athletes

had to compete. Races were held in nordic skiing, alpine skiing, snowboarding and snowshoeing. Staff from Hanson Hills were on hand to groom all the race courses. A group of students from Roscommon High School's Rotary Interact Club helped



Over 100 Special Olympic athletes converged on Hanson Hills Recreation area last month for the Special Olympics Area Four Invitational Winter Games. Left, Brock Prater of Grayling chases a skier from Bay City near the finish line for the one-kilometers nordic race. Above right, Jason Letts of Fairview takes first place in the 100-meter snowshoe, followed by Travis Hunter of Grayling.



87TH DISTRICT COURT

Sentencings for January 2007
Hon. Monte J. Burmeister

Gina Marie Dusseau, age 26 of Roscommon - Sentenced on Jan.

2, 2007 for operating while intoxicated and failure to report accident; ordered to pay \$1,260 in fines or serve 93 days in jail; placed on probation for 181 days.

Kayla Marie Paggi, age 24 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 2, 2007 for operating while intoxicated; ordered to pay \$1,200 in fines or serve 93 days in jail; placed on probation for 90 days.

Sabrina Kaye Schwartz, age 34 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 16, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$310 in fines or serve 93 days in jail.

Robert Vernell Childs, age 22 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 30, 2007 for retail fraud third degree; ordered to pay \$195 in fines or serve 181 days in jail.

Justin Alan Andre, age 27 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 16, 2007 for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$520 in fines or serve 52 days in jail.

Robert Vernell Childs, age 22 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 30, 2007 for retail fraud third degree; ordered to pay \$260 in fines or serve 93 days in jail.

John George Stephan III, age 46 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 16, 2007 for retail fraud third degree; ordered to pay \$260 in fines or serve 93 days in jail.

Dennis Florian Compeau Jr, age 37 of Alpena - Sentenced on Jan. 16, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$310 in fines or serve 93 days in jail.

Morgan Jae Ward, age 18 of Brimley - Sentenced on Jan. 2, 2007 for retail fraud third degree; ordered to pay \$260 in fines or serve 26 days in jail.

Kevin Lewellyn Francis, age 35 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 2, 2007 for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$960 in fines or serve 93 days in jail.

Nicholas Allen Carrothers, age 19 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 23, 2007 for operating without security and operating-unregistered vehicle; ordered to pay \$460 in fines or serve 90 days in jail.

Debbie Ann Curtis, age 43 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 30, 2007 for false pretenses-less than \$200; ordered to pay \$550 in fines and \$278 in restitution or serve 82 days in jail.

Carroll Eugene Teboe III, age 18 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 30, 2007 for disturbance of the peace; ordered to pay \$205 in fines or serve 90 days in jail.

Brian Dee True, age 22 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 2, 2007 for operating while intoxicated; ordered to pay \$1,000 in fines or serve 93 days in jail; placed on probation for 90 days.

Christopher Noel True, age 19 of Lansing - Sentenced on Jan. 16, 2007 for non sufficient funds check under \$100; ordered to pay \$315 in fines or serve 93 days in jail.

Carrie Jean Moon, age 45 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 30, 2007 for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$600 in fines or serve 60 days in jail.

Magistrate Camarin Compton

Daniyel Duke Ward, age 25 of Oscoda - Sentenced on Jan. 2, 2007 for violation of Grayling City Ordinance #4; ordered to pay \$205 in fines or serve 20 days in jail.

Christopher Louis Kuroski, age 25 of Casco - Sentenced on Jan. 10, 2007 for snowmobile operating while license suspended/revoked/denied; ordered to pay \$220 in fines.

John Anthony Schlaff, age 36 of Mancelona - Sentenced on Jan. 30, 2007 for disorderly person/drunken; ordered to pay \$555

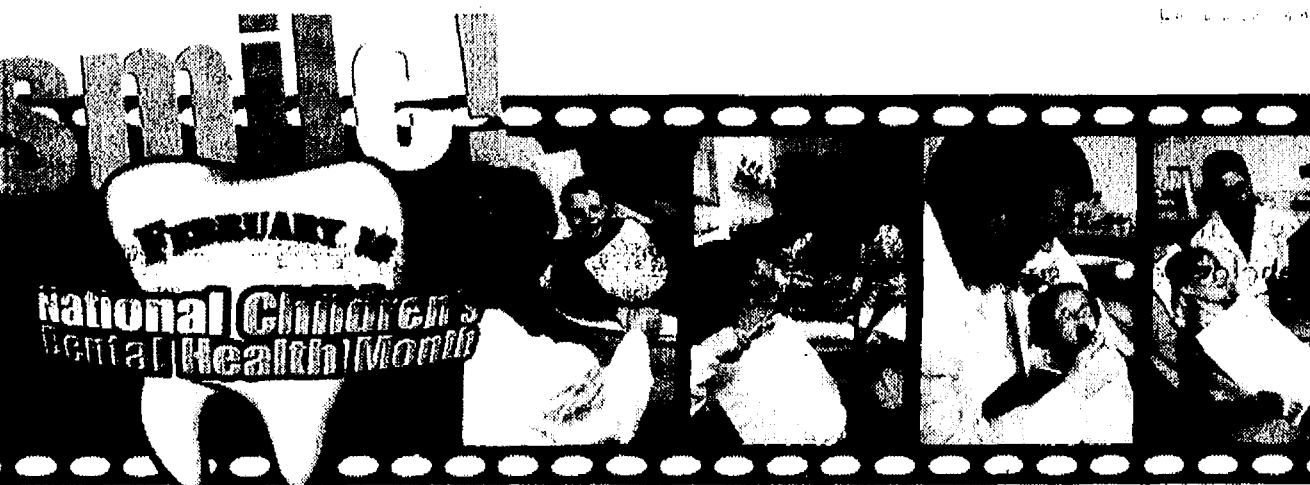
Scott David Cinciala, age 34 of Roscommon - Sentenced on Jan. 24, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$220 in fines or serve 22 days in jail.

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Kristi Sue Kinna, age 32 of Traverse City - Sentenced on Jan. 24, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$220 in fines or serve 22 days in jail.

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Ronald D. Bancroft has been promoted to the rank of master sergeant in the U.S. Air Force.

He has served in the military for 18 years.

Bancroft is currently deployed overseas at a forward-operating location in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is an aircraft maintenance craftsman regularly assigned to the 437th Airlift Wing, Charleston Air Force

Base, S.C.

Bancroft is the son of Virginia Bancroft, of Grayling. His wife, Brandy, is the daughter of John and Phyllis Maxwell of Friendswood, Texas.

Bancroft is a 1988 graduate of Grayling High School.

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Become centerpiece savvy. Use candles to spice up centerpieces, such as using votives on top of a mirror with small accents of flowers or balloons. Have bridesmaids use their bouquets as reception centerpieces, and your wedding ceremony flowers can pull double-duty, too. Or pile nicely wrapped favors in a bowl or basket at the center of each table.

Factor in the season, day and time. Avoid the busy summer wedding months or the holidays, when prices can be 10 percent higher. Winter weddings — January through March — tend to provide the best deals. Consider planning your wedding on a day other than Saturday to save money, too: Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons are popular alternatives. Receptions earlier in the day tend to be cheaper than a dinner buffet or a five-course sit-down dinner, so consider an afternoon tea, cocktail reception, lunch or brunch.

Look to cheaper alternatives for invitations. Thermography typeset is less expensive than

engraved invitations. Also be sure to watch the weight of your invitations — from the size of the paper to all of your enclosures — so you don't have to double up on stamps. Consider designing and printing invitations and programs yourself to cut costs. You might opt for cheaper, plain-style wedding invitations and then embellish them by adding ribbon, lace or silk, or dried flowers, say experts.

Get gown savvy. Watch the sales, and buy off the rack. Scout sample sales where you can nab dresses for 25 to 95 percent off regular prices.

Flower power. Consider using silk flowers, which often can be cheaper than real ones and can even be reused to decorate your home. Mix in berries, fruit or greenery fillers to create large centerpieces or bouquets at lower costs, and use flowers that are in-season. Another way to spruce up your locale: Borrow plants or trees from friends, or rent them from a florist.

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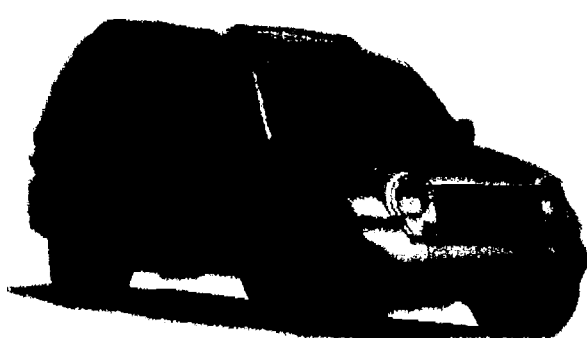
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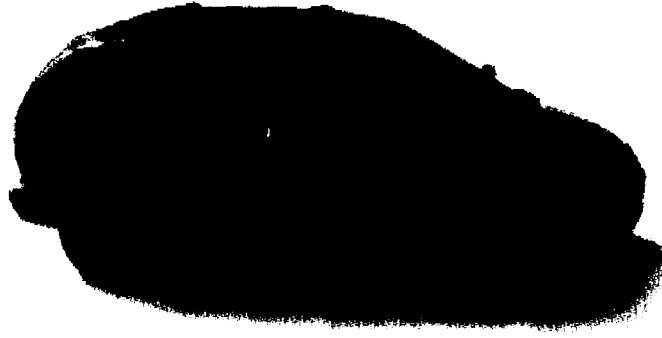
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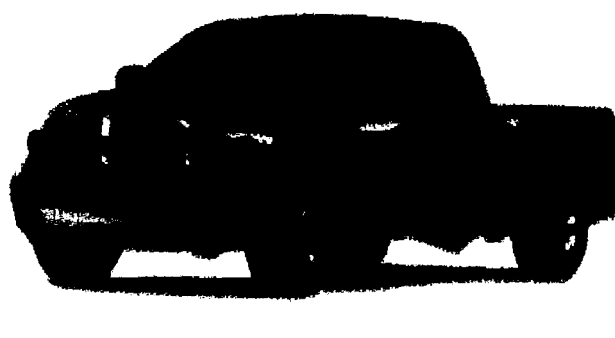
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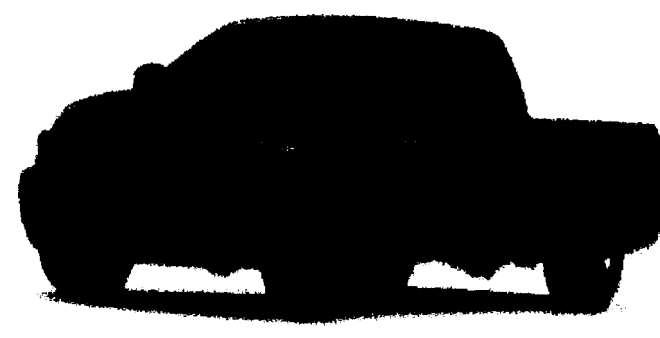
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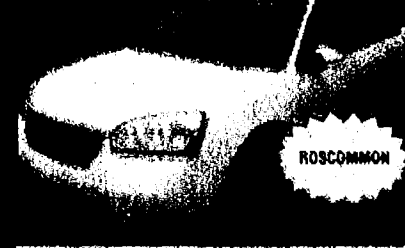
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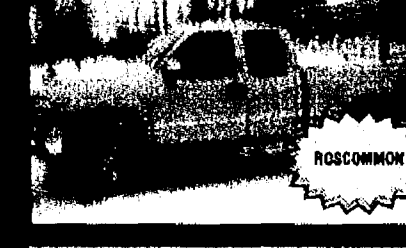
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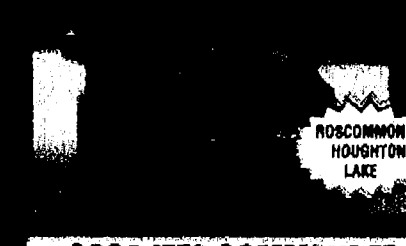
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Big Air Competition held during 2007 Winter Fun Days event



Photo by Caleb Casey

Mike Davis jumps off the ramp at Hanson Hills during the 2007 Winter Fun Days festival's Big Air Competition on Saturday, Feb. 3. The event included skiers and snowboarders, with a panel of judges rating the jumps to determine winners. For more on this year's Big Air Competition, see Page 4B.

Varsity team wins at Harrison, falls to Rayders in overtime

■ Vikings post a 73-48 victory on Tuesday but lose to Charlevoix 78-72

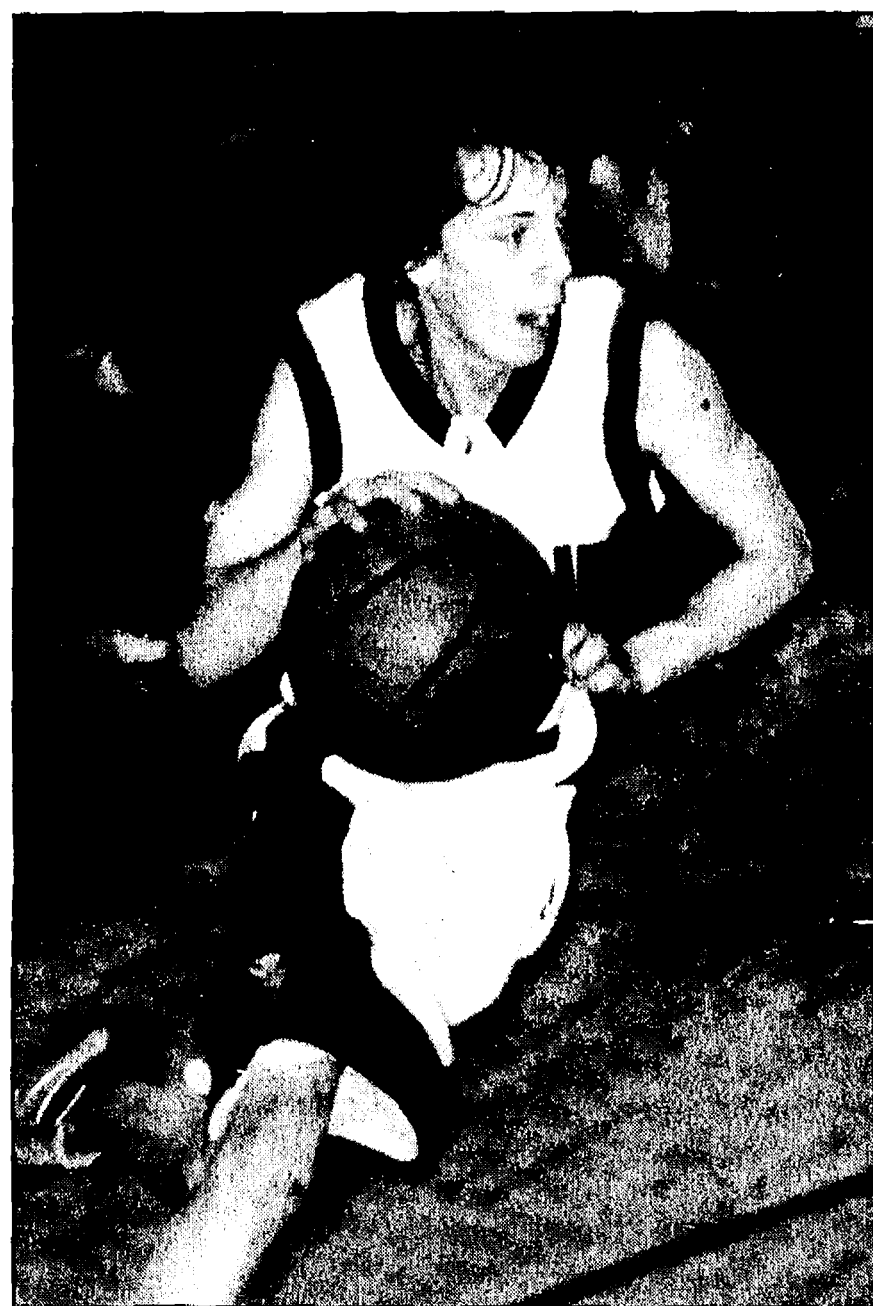
The Vikings of Grayling High School won last Tuesday's varsity boys basketball game at Harrison, but lost an overtime battle vs. Charlevoix on Friday

night at GHS.

The Rayders led 24-15 after one quarter. The Vikings outscored Charlevoix 19-12 in the second quarter and trailed by two points at halftime, 36-34. Grayling took a 59-52 advantage into the fourth period.

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See "VARSITY TEAM..."



Josh Stapleton controls the ball for the Vikings during last Friday's varsity game vs. Charlevoix.

Basketball program honors former player

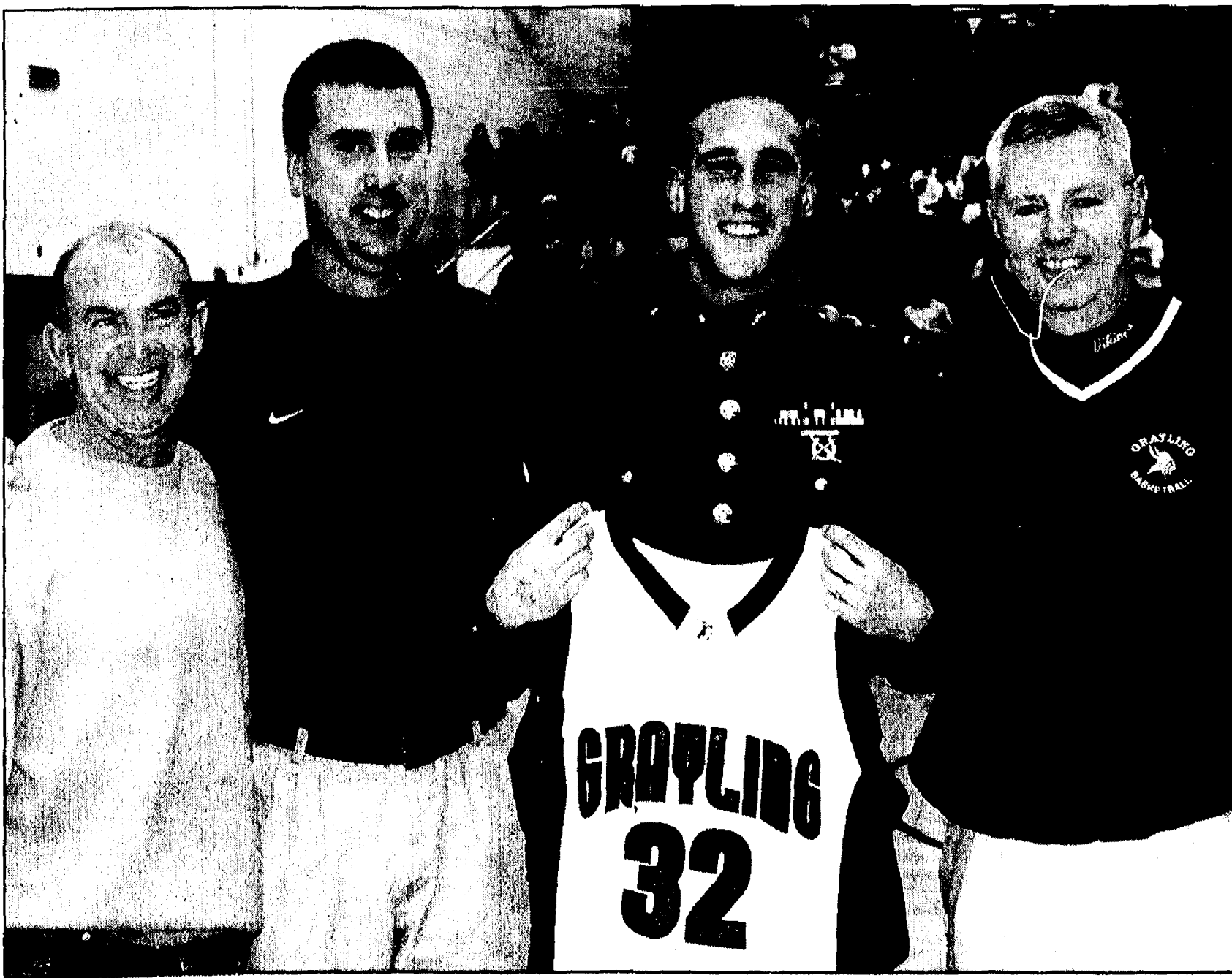


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Joe Zelek (second from right), a US Marine who was recently wounded in Iraq, was honored prior to last Friday's varsity boys basketball game at Grayling High School. The ceremony included an introduction by Coach Butch Hayes (right), a jersey presentation by Coach Rich Moffit (second from left), and recognition from the GHS Military Hall of Honor by Jim Tobin (left). Zelek played four years of basketball at Grayling High School, and was on the varsity squad's 2004 district championship team during his senior year.

JV Vikings win 63-30 at Harrison

■ Grayling wins on Tuesday night, but falls to Charlevoix 76-47 on Friday

The GHS junior varsity boys basketball team lost to the Charlevoix Rayders at Grayling High School on Friday, but won a road game at Harrison on

Tuesday night.

On Friday, the Vikings and Rayders were tied at 15-15 after the first quarter. Charlevoix had a 37-28 lead at halftime. The Rayders outscored Grayling 39-19 in the second half to win the game by a final score of 76-47.

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See "JV VIKINGS..."



Ross Teeple looks to shoot for the JV Vikings during last Friday's contest against the Rayders.

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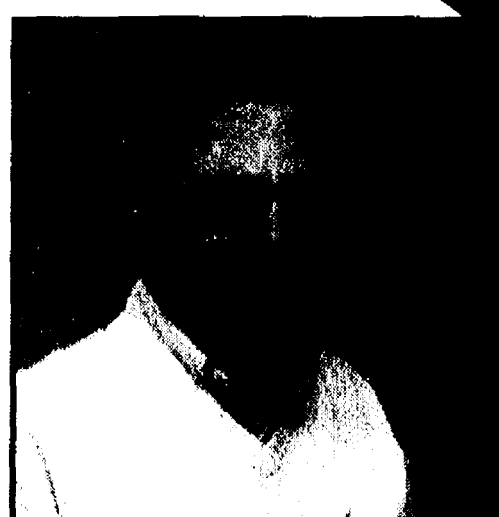
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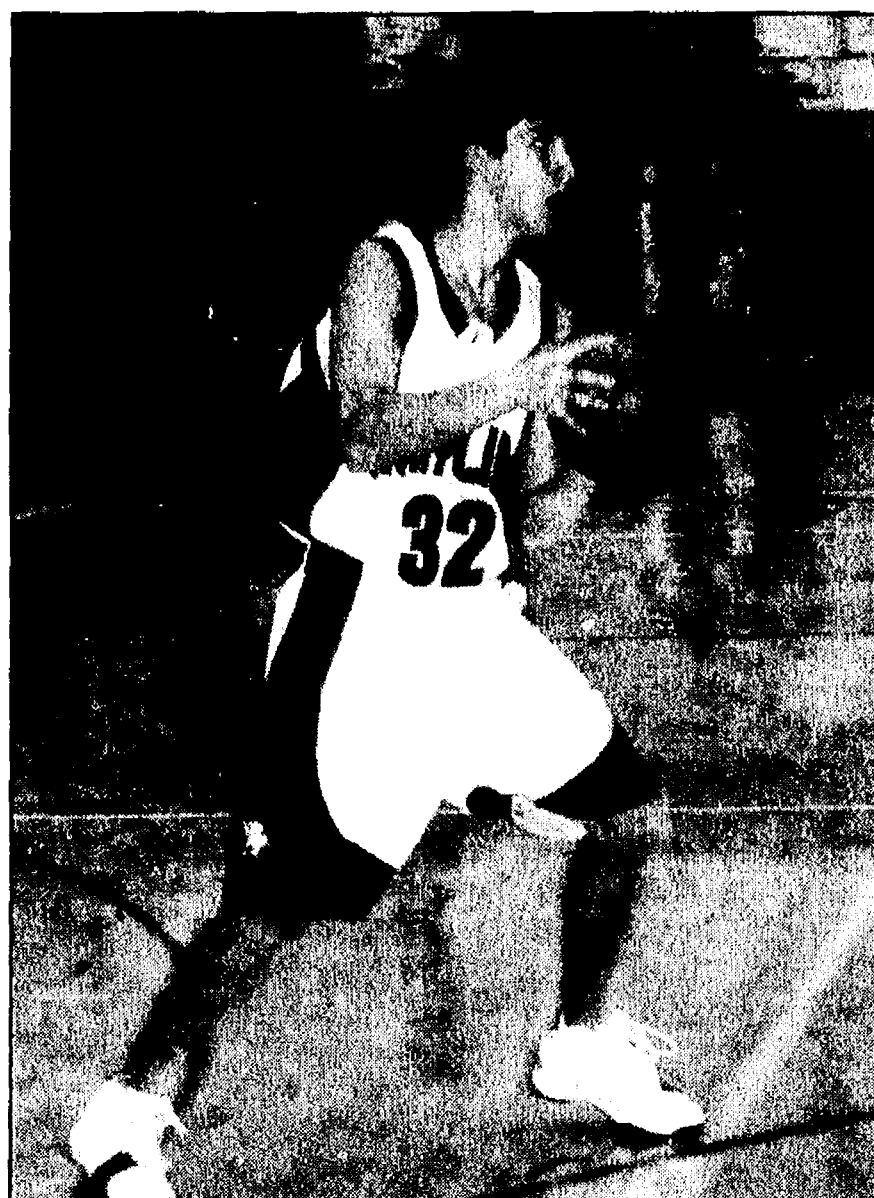


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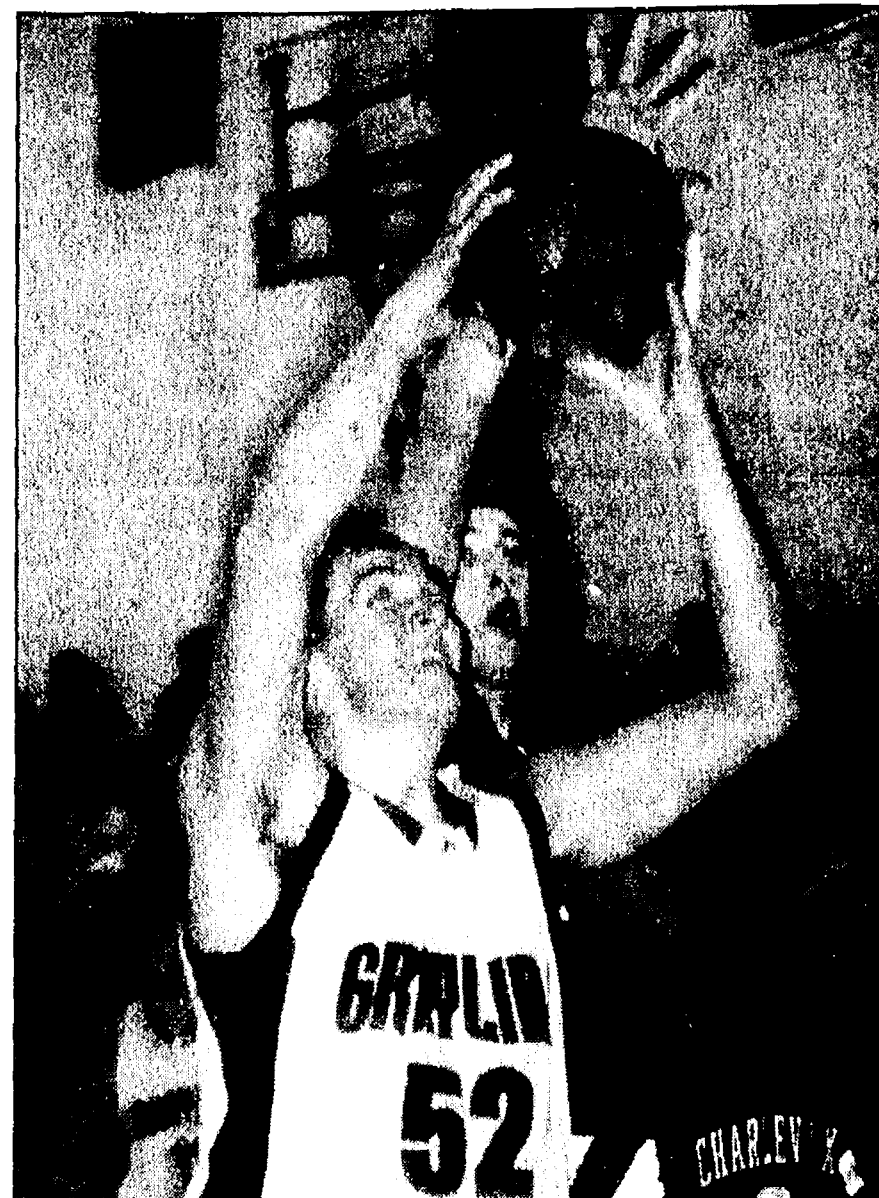
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Jason Drudge looks for an open teammate during last Friday's game against Charlevoix.



Mike Boylan takes an inside shot for the Vikings on Friday night.

Varsity team wins at Harrison, falls to Rayders in overtime

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The Rayders chipped away at Grayling's lead and tied the game at 67-67 with two free throws with 36 seconds remaining in regulation. Josh Stapleton scored an inside shot for Grayling, and Charlevoix answered with a two-point basket to tie the game at 69-69. Grayling's three-point attempt at the buzzer missed, and the contest headed into overtime.

The Rayders outscored GHS 9-3 in the overtime period to win 78-72.

Stapleton scored a team-high 20 points. Mike Boylan had 18 points and 11 rebounds. Steve Hodge had 17 points. Richard Schreiber had 10 points and 7 assists. Jeremiah Bootz, Jason Drudge, and Justin Summers also scored points for the Vikings.

"Intensity wise, probably our best game of the year. We played outstanding defense in the second, third, and fourth quarters. Richie Schreiber was outstanding on defense vs. Charlevoix's all-stater, Mitchell Crandall. Crandall was shut out in the third and fourth periods. Josh Stapleton and Steve Hodge were solid from the perimeter and Mike Boylan had another solid game in the paint," Coach Rich Moffit said. "We are making positive strides to where we want to be at the end of the season."

On Tuesday, the Vikings defeated the Harrison Hornets 73-48 at Harrison.

"Our kids played very well in this game. Offensively we did a nice job of running our secondary break and our players did an excellent job of finding the open man. Defensively we locked down Harrison after the first quarter," Coach Moffit said.

Leading scorers for Grayling were: Boylan, 22 points, 16 rebounds; Hodge, 22 points; Rocky McNamara, 9 points; Schreiber, 6 points, 7 assists, 8 steals; Parkinson, 6 points; Drudge, 4 points; Stapleton, 4 points.

"Mike Boylan played outstanding in the paint. Steve Hodge played under control and hit some nice shots and created opportunities for his players. Rocky McNamara played his best game of the year. Nick Parkinson played outstanding defense. Richie Schreiber and Josh Stapleton played error free basketball," Coach Moffit said.

On Monday, the Vikings lost a makeup game at Boyne City 57-45.

Stapleton (13 points) and Boylan (13 points) were Grayling's leading scorers. Hodge, Bootz, Parkinson, Schreiber, and Summers also scored points for GHS.

Grayling (4-9 overall) will play a league game at East Jordan on Friday, Feb. 9.



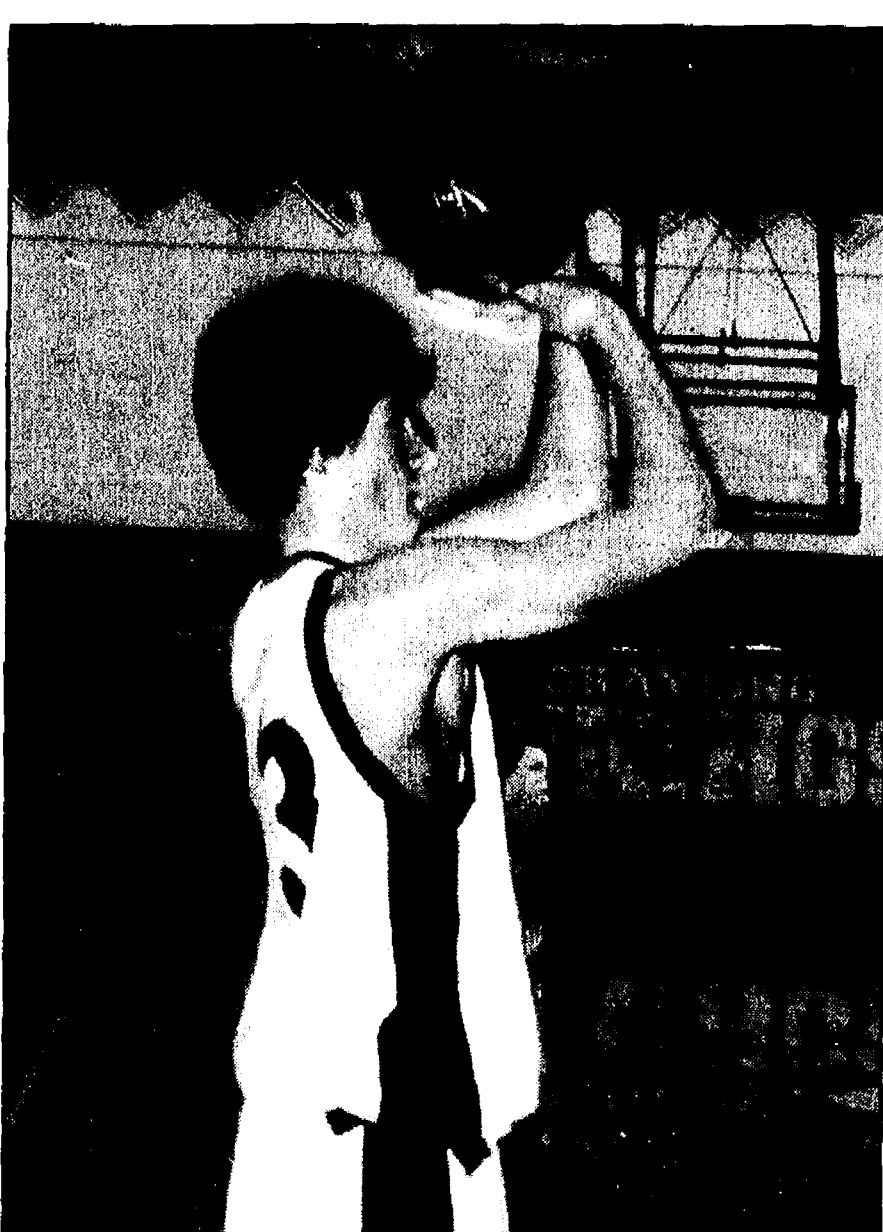
Justin Summers dribbles the ball for GHS during last week's game vs. the Rayders.



(Left) Richard Schreiber shoots the ball for Grayling High School vs. Charlevoix on Friday. (Right) Jeremiah Bootz handles the ball for the Vikings.



Ryan Foguth dribbles the ball for Grayling's JV team during last Friday's game against the Rayders.



Spencer Dean shoots for the Vikings vs. Charlevoix on Friday night.

JV Vikings win 63-30 at Harrison

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Leading scorers for the Vikings were Spencer Dean (11 points), Ross Teeple (8 points), and Alex Gabriel (7 points).

"We played a good first half and gave our self a chance to make it a game in the second half but had a very poor third quarter. Charlevoix's press got to us in the third quarter, as a result we only scored five points. We must do a better job of handling pressure," Coach Chris Kucharek said.

In Tuesday's game at Harrison, Grayling led 26-12 after one quarter and had a 39-20 advantage at halftime. The Vikings took a 53-25 lead into the fourth period and won the contest by a final score of 63-30.

Grayling's scoring leaders included: Gabriel, 12 points; Dean, 11 points; Teeple, 10 points; Jacob Aubry, 8 points; Ryan Foguth, 6 points; Mike Davis, 4 points; Todd Johnson, 4 points; John Cochran, 4 points; Doug Gothro, 2 points.

"Our bench played a big role in this game. Ross Teeple had a breakout game offensively with 10 points and 11 rebounds. Mike Davis earned his first start of the year and played a nice defensive game. John Cochran and Todd Johnson gave us some nice minutes throughout the game, each scoring four points," Coach Kucharek said.

On Monday night, the Vikings played a makeup game at Boyne City. The Ramblers won 59-52.

Leading scorers for the Vikings were: Dean, 22 points; Foguth, 11 points; Gabriel, 7 points; Eric Ferrigan, 6 points.

"We missed a lot of early shots and free throws. Finally, in the third quarter we started playing a little better and with a great defensive effort in the fourth quarter we were able to cut their lead to six with less than a minute to go. Unfortunately, it was too little to late," Coach Kucharek said.

The Vikings will play at East Jordan on Friday, Feb. 9.



John Cochran handles the ball for GHS during last week's JV game against the Charlevoix Rayders.

Vikings host ski meet at Treetops

Grayling teams also compete in LMC meet on Thursday and Benzie meet

The Grayling High School ski teams skied in three different meets last week - a five-team meet at Treetops on Tuesday, a conference meet at Boyne Mountain on Thursday, and the Benzie Invitational on Friday.

On Tuesday, the Vikings hosted a five-team invitational meet at Treetops Resort in Gaylord. Grayling's girls team finished in third place with 103 points, just one point behind second place Inland Lakes. The Mt. Pleasant girls won the meet with a score of 26 points. Harrison was fourth with 119 and Bellaire was fifth with 120 points.

The Vikings put three skiers in the top ten in slalom: Cassie Pizzi (4th), Erica Moggo (7th), and Hannah Smith (9th). In giant slalom (GS), Moggo led Grayling with a 9th place finish.

"The girls were just one point out of a second place team finish. They skied a good meet and Mt. Pleasant is really tough this year and hard to keep up with," Coach Brad Wagner said.

Grayling's boys team finished the invitational in second place, not far behind first place Harrison. The scoring went as follows (place, team, slalom points, giant slalom points, total points): 1. Harrison (23+16)=39; 2. Grayling (17+50.5)=67.5; 3. Bellaire (49+27)=76; 4. Mt. Pleasant (57, 52.5)=109.5; 5. Inland Lakes (68+82)=150.

The boys were led in GS by Andrew Hart, who tied for 10th place. In slalom the Vikings put four skiers in the top 10. Jimmy Hilbrecht finished 2nd, Andrew

Hart finished 3rd, Janosch Kluge finished 5th, and Mike Olson finished 7th.

"We were in a hole after GS. I think we were in third place and we had to put the wood to slalom. The boys did, in a huge way. We won the slalom event by skiing as a team to pack our skiers into the top spots. It was great to see the guys ski that well in slalom," Coach Wagner said.

On Thursday, Feb. 1, the Vikings competed in a Lake Michigan Conference meet at Boyne Mountain.

The results of the girls competition (place, team, slalom points, giant slalom points, total points): 1. Harbor Springs (24+30)=54; 2. Boyne City (41+25)=66; 3. Traverse City St. Francis (48+49)=97; 4. Charlevoix-East Jordan (57+54)=111; 5. Grayling (55+72)=127; 6. Elk Rapids (109+111)=220.

"Our girls skied well on Thursday. Cassie Pizzi once again led our girls with a 5th place slalom and an 11th place GS finish. Hannah Smith is starting to ski real good slalom and finished with a 12th place, followed by Erica Moggo with a 14th place in slalom," Coach Wagner said.

The results of the boys competition (place, team, slalom points, giant slalom points, total points): 1. Harbor Springs (21+17)=38; 2. Boyne City (37.5+32)=69.5; 3. Traverse City St. Francis (42+44)=86; 4. Charlevoix-East Jordan (73+59)=132; 5. Grayling (75+84)=159; 6. Elk Rapids (81.5+89)=170.5.

Grayling was "led in GS by the Hilbrecht boys. Jimmy finished 11th and Matt finished 16th. Jimmy also led the boys in slalom with a 9th place finish fol-

lowed closely by Mike Olson in 12th," Coach Wagner said. "GS continues to be our struggle. We have really good talent on our team and when we ski mistake free we can compete. We're racing ourselves into shape this week and hope to ski more as a team later on this season to get that good result when we need it."

On Friday, the Vikings skied in the Benzie Invitational at Crystal Mountain.

Final team results for both boys and girls competitions are as follows (place, team, slalom points, giant slalom points, total points):

Boys - 1. Glen Lake (47+49)=96; 2. Mt. Pleasant (40+70)=110; 3. Manistee (77+43)=120; 4. Benzie (56+71)=127; 5. Bellaire (87+94)=181; 6. Grayling (96+93)=189; 7. Clare (101+102)=203; 8. Elk Rapids (114+90)=204; 9. Inland Lakes (125+96)=221; 10. Roscommon (198+190)=388; 11. Saginaw Heritage (199+190)=389;

Girls - 1. Mt. Pleasant (56+30)=86; 2. Manistee (26+81)=107; 3. Grayling (64+72)=136; 4. Inland Lakes (78+65)=143; 5. Clare (86+62)=148; 6. Bellaire (82+91)=173; 7. Glen Lake (76+98)=174; 8. Benzie (112+85)=197; 9. Elk Rapids (144+146)=290; 10. Roscommon (156+148)=304.

"The Benzie Invitational is a great warm up for our regional race. Most of the teams there are teams we'll be facing at regionals. Our kids ski right along with them, the girls had an especially good day placing third overall. The boys made a few mistakes, but that's part of ski racing."

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(Ski Division: Age Group, Name, Bib #, Points)

13-15 – Dan Bertalan (174) 50; 16-18 – Zack Swartz (175) 51, Sean Hernandez (173) 50; 19-older – Jordan Awrey (179) 34;

(Snowboard Division: Age Group, Name, Bib #, Points)

13-15 – Mike Davis (181) 37, Brandon McMahon (176) 26; 16-18 – Doug Slater (178) 49, Dane Kania (177) 48, Eric Nowack (180) 38, Ryan Grover (182) 30.

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The Kirtland Community College mens basketball team needed an extra five minutes to beat visiting Delta College, 113-104, in overtime at the CRAF Center in Roscommon on Saturday, Feb. 3.

The host Firebirds trailed by eight points, 52-44, at halftime and by as many as 17 points in the second half. But sophomore guard Matt Tompkins (Fairview) helped rally the Firebirds by scoring on back-to-back lay-ups, cutting Delta's lead to single digits, 87-80, with five minutes on the game clock.

Freshman forward Jerry Follot (Northwestern, MD) helped complete the comeback and tie the score with about a minute left to play. Follot, who tallied 21 points, 13 rebounds, 3 steals and a team-best 3 blocked shots against the Pioneers, scored six consecutive points down the stretch, including a pair of free throws that knotted the score at 95-95 with 1:02 left in regulation.

Neither team was able to score in the final minute of the second half, forcing the two Michigan Community College Athletic Association, Eastern Conference rivals to keep playing.

Kirtland (12-11 overall) out-gunned the visiting Pioneers, 13-7, in overtime to secure the win. Freshman guard Mark Schafer (St. Ignace) led the Firebirds in the extra frame, scoring 7 of his 15 points in the extra five minutes of action. Schafer also had 2 rebounds, 2 steals and 2 assists in the win.

"We didn't come to play early," said Kirtland head coach Glen Donahue. "We let them do what they wanted to do offensively."

Donahue said the key in the Firebirds' comeback was turning to a man-to-man press that disrupted the Pioneers' offensive flow.

"The pressure was good," he said. "They didn't get shots off."

Freshman forward Brian Christian (Detroit Mumford) led Kirtland with a team-high 23 points, 10 assists, 4 rebounds and 2 steals. Tompkins scored all 20 of his points after halftime, including knocking down 3-of-4 free throws in overtime, to go with 4 steals, 3 rebounds and 3 assists.

Other contributors for Kirtland included: freshman forward Leroy Allen (Henry Ford Academy) with 19 points, 8 rebounds, 5 steals and 3 assists; sophomore center Josh Burmester (Roscommon) with 13 points and 13 boards; and freshman guard Gordon Jacobs (Fairview) with 2 points and 2 rebounds.

Kirtland was less than two seconds from forcing overtime against host Wayne County Community College District. Instead, the visiting Firebirds returned home with a 74-72 loss on Wednesday, Jan. 31.

Schafer hit a pair of free throws late in the second half to knot the score at 72-72, as Kirtland looked to force overtime. But, the host Wildcats scored with just 1.8 seconds left to send the Firebirds home empty-handed in the clash of the two MCCA Eastern Conference teams.

Christian led the Firebirds with 20 points, 10 rebounds, 4 assists and 2 steals, while freshman forward Allen chipped in 17 points and grabbed a team-best 13 boards in Wednesday's loss.

Other contributors for Kirtland included: Burmester with 12 points and 3 rebounds; Follot with 9 points, 6 boards and 5

blocked shots; Schafer with 9 points, 5 assists and 2 steals; and Tompkins with 5 points, 3 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 steals.

Freshman forward Brian Christian (Detroit Mumford) had plenty of reasons to celebrate after leading the Kirtland Community College men's basketball team to a 69-68 win over St. Clair County Community College on Saturday, Jan. 13, at the CRAF Center in Roscommon.

Christian, who scored a game-high 26 points, hit a three-pointer to tie the game, 66-66, with 1:15 left in regulation. Then, less than a minute later, he was pumping his fists in the air after hitting another trey to give the host Firebirds a 69-68 advantage with 22 seconds on the clock.

The visiting Skippers, who were second in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association, Eastern Conference standings at 7-1 and 14-4 overall heading into Saturday's clash, got off at least two shots in the final seconds but couldn't equal Christian's heroics before suffering their second conference loss of the 2006-07 season.

"The kids played hard," said Kirtland head coach Glen Donahue. "They did what needed to be done."

St. Clair led at halftime, 36-32.

Besides leading Firebirds' offensive attack, Christian also tallied 7 assists, 6 rebounds and 4 steals in home win Saturday. According to National Junior College Athletic Association statistics, Christian currently ranks 15th in scoring (21-plus points per game) and 15th in steals (3-plus per game).

Freshman forward Jerry Follot (Northwestern, MD) added 14 points, 5 boards and a team-best 3 blocked shots for the Firebirds, with freshman forward Leroy Allen (Henry Ford Academy) chipping in 13 points, a team-high 11 rebounds and 2 assists.

Other contributors for Kirtland (9-8 overall) included sophomore forward-center Josh Burmester (Roscommon) with 9 points and 2 rebounds, and sophomore guard Matt Tompkins (Fairview) with 7 points, 7 assists, 2 rebounds and 2 steals.

"I think we got great play (from several players)," Donahue said. "I don't think Matt or Brian came out of the game at all."

Tompkins knocked down a pair of free throws to help Kirtland fend off host Oakland Community College and secure a 76-73 victory on Wednesday, Jan. 10, in Waterford.

Tompkins stepped to the line with Kirtland holding a one-point advantage and eight seconds remaining in the clash between the two MCCA Eastern Conference foes. The sophomore from Fairview, who posted a solid all-round effort with 8 points, 7 rebounds and 5 assists, hit both free throws and forced Oakland into shooting a desperation three-pointer to try to tie the game and force overtime.

"Matt hit those two free throws and that was huge for us," Donahue said.

But, at halftime, it looked as though Kirtland would cruise to victory after heading to the locker room with a 47-25 lead.

"We let them catch up," Donahue said. "We missed some shots and got tentative (in the second half)."

Christian led the Firebirds' winning effort by totaling 22 points, 11 rebounds and 3 assists against the host Raiders.

Christian had plenty of help on Wednesday, with three other Kirtland cagers also scoring in double digits. Follot tallied 16 points and 6 rebounds, and freshman guard Mark Schafer chipped in 13 points and 5 assists. Allen scored 12 points to go with his team-high 12 rebounds. Burmester came off the bench to score 5 points and grab 9 rebounds in the win.

Women's Team

The Kirtland Community College women's basketball team struggled to convert down the stretch in falling to visiting Delta College, 73-70, on Saturday, Feb. 3, at the CRAF Center in Roscommon.

Freshman forward Brittany West (Detroit Finney) hit a three-pointer with two minutes left to give the host Firebirds a 66-62 edge. But Delta's Bethany Meehler (Saginaw Heritage) knocked down a pair of free throws with 58 seconds left in regulation to give the Pioneers a 69-68 advantage.

After the Pioneers converted another pair of free throws, Kirtland called timeout with just 22 seconds to play to set up a potential game-tying three-pointer. Freshman guard Trisha Petersen (Grayling), however, missed her trey attempt with 12 seconds on the clock and Delta controlled the rebound, as well as the game.

"We had time to do what we needed to do," said Kirtland head coach Tom Ritter. "But we just didn't get it done."

Sophomore guard Rena Barnett (Pine River) scored a team-high 19 points for Kirtland, along with tallying 7 rebounds, 4 assists and 2 steals. West, who grabbed 8 boards and had 3 steals, knocked down five three-pointers in scoring 17 points, and sophomore center Chelsey Williams (Houghton Lake) chipped in 12 points and pulled down a team-high 14 boards in Saturday's loss to the Pioneers.

Freshman guard Tiera Derrick-Jones (Detroit Northwestern) and sophomore forward Onica Jones (Rush-Henrietta, N.Y.) scored 9 and 5 points, respectively, for the host Firebirds, while Petersen, sophomore forward Natalie Foster (Houghton Lake), freshman guard Jessica Smith (Mio) and freshman forward Alyssa Loney (Houghton Lake) each scored 2 points.

The loss drops Kirtland to 9-15 overall and 5-9 against its Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference rivals.

"We played with a lot of heart," Ritter said. "And we've been there every time, just so close."

Kirtland couldn't overcome a 10-0 run by host Wayne County Community College District midway through the second half in falling, 77-64, on Wednesday, Jan. 31.

The visiting Firebirds held a slim one-point lead, 32-31, at halftime. But they couldn't overcome the scoring surge by the host Wildcats in the second half of the clash between the two MCCA Eastern Conference rivals.

"We just couldn't convert," Ritter said. "We never got it back. We couldn't keep scoring with them."

Williams posted another solid effort for Kirtland, scoring 17 points and pulling down 15 rebounds in the loss. Loney and West also scored in double digits for the Firebirds, tallying 11 and 10 points, respectively.

Other contributors for Kirtland included: Barnett with 7 points,

7 rebounds, 7 assists and 2 steals; Jones with 7 points; Foster with 4 points and 6 rebounds; and Petersen with 4 points, 4 assists and 4 steals.

The Kirtland Community College women's basketball team couldn't overcome another sluggish start in falling to visiting Schoolcraft Community College, 78-71, at the CRAF Center on Saturday, Jan. 27.

The host Firebirds outscored the Ocelots, 43-37, in the second half. But that wasn't enough to erase a 13-point halftime deficit, as Schoolcraft held a 41-28 advantage heading into the locker rooms at intermission.

Kirtland kept battling and chipping away at Schoolcraft's lead in the second half. With just 5:40 remaining, sophomore forward Natalie Foster (Houghton Lake) hit a pair of free throws to bring the Firebirds within five points, 65-60. But that's as close as the Firebirds would get.

The Firebirds (9-13 overall, 5-7 conference) have struggled in games in which they trail at halftime. And, on Saturday, the Firebirds were up against the top team in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association, Eastern Conference standings. The Ocelots are undefeated in conference play at 11-0 and are 18-2 overall.

Foster and sophomore center Chelsey Williams (Houghton Lake) each scored 17 points to help lead Kirtland. Williams also grabbed a team-best 9 rebounds, while Foster tallied 5 boards, 4 assists and 2 steals. Freshman forward Alyssa Loney (Houghton Lake) chipped in with 14 points, 5 rebounds, 2 assists and 1 steal.

Other contributors for Kirtland included: sophomore forward Onica Jones (Rush-Henrietta, N.Y.) with 9 points; freshman guard Tiera Derrick-Jones (Detroit Northwestern) with 6 points, 5 rebounds and 4 steals; sophomore guard Rena Barnett (Pine River) with 3 points, a team-high 6 assists and 4 rebounds; freshman forward Brittany West (Detroit Finney) with 3 points; and freshman guard Trisha Petersen (Grayling) with 2 points, 3 assists and 2 rebounds.

Kirtland struggled shooting the ball in a 91-66 loss to host Mott Community College on Wednesday, Jan. 24.

The visiting Firebirds hit just 8-of-32 (25 percent) of their shot attempts from the floor in the first half, allowing the Bears to build a 38-20 advantage at the intermission.

And, while Kirtland shot better in the second half (12-of-34 or nearly 41 percent), it wasn't good enough to stop Mott from claiming the win in the clash between the two Michigan Community College Athletic Association, Eastern Conference rivals.

"We couldn't put the ball in the hoop," said Kirtland head coach Tom Ritter. "It just wasn't there."

"We finally figured out what we had to do in the second half, but it wasn't enough."

Williams posted another outstanding effort for the Firebirds, scoring 25 points and grabbing 12 rebounds against the Bears. Barnett chipped in with 16 points, including a 11-for-12 effort at the free-throw line, and 6 assists.

Foster and Onica each scored 7 points for Kirtland.

For more information on KCC athletic programs, call 989-275-5000, extension 385, or visit online at firebirds.kirtland.edu.

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POOL LEAGUE

Women's Standings

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Two Track I	123
Holiday Inn	109
Two Track II	95
Sawmill	89
Growlers Pub	72

Legion	67
5 Ball Runs: Christy and Jeanne (Sawmill); 6 Ball Runs: Denise (Two Track I), Shelia (Holiday Inn); 8 Ball Runs: Marie (Two Track I).	

Men's Standings

Two Track I	54
Legion	46
Sawmill II	45
Sawmill I	38
Riverside	33
Growlers	31

Two Track II	24
Holiday Inn	17
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Days Inn 16 - 16
Hawk Ridge Golf 15.5 - 16.5
Mickey Perez CPA 15 - 17
Woody Girls 14 - 18
Glen's Market 14 - 18
Gale Enterprises 11 - 21
High Series: M. Starks, 544; J. Brown, 513; H. Stairs, 509.
High Game: M. Starks, 199; J. Brown, 191; D. Anderson and S. Johnson, 184.
National First
Faustman Insurance 42 - 7
J-Bar 34 - 15
Upper Lakes 24 - 25
Scott Pittman Bld. 23 - 26
Continental Rental 22 - 27
Great Lakes Mort. 20 - 29
Legion Lanes 19 - 30
Corky's Karaoke 12 - 37
High Series: P. Faustman, 723; J.

Helsel, 674; A. Angove, 652.
High Game: P. Faustman, 265; J. Hunt, 255; B. Holton, 246.
Friday Mixed Doubles
Collen & Starks 22.5 - 9.5
G.L. Hauling 19 - 13
Forget About It 18.5 - 13.5
Poopsie Pin Pounders 17 - 15
American Legion 15 - 17
Moshier Auto 13 - 19
New "Kids" 11.5 - 20.5
Great Lakes Roofing 11.5 - 20.5
High Series Men: D. Williamson, 600; D. Burger, 577; R. Sartin, 567.
High Game Men: D. Burger, 213; J. Clark, 212; D. Williamson and R. Sartin, 209.
High Series Women: P. Younglove, 481; M. Cole, 479, L. Bendig, 476.
High Game Women: L. Bendig, 191; M. Cole, 189; P. Younglove, 179.
Senior Bowling
Grayling Pharmacy 63.5 - 16.5

Flowers By Josie 44 - 36
Bear's Den Pizza 39.5 - 40.5
Gaylord Electric 39 - 41
Kickin Grass 37 - 43
Spike's 36.5 - 43.5
Sylvester's 34 - 36
Lone Pine 26.5 - 53.5
High Series Women: M. Rysso, 470; H. Stairs, 455; R. Joyce, 443.
High Game Women: H. Stairs, 194; M. Rysso, 191; R. Joyce, 181.
High Series Men: L. Crampton, 593; B. Hollis, 526; P. Faustman, 493.
High Game Men: L. Crampton, 222; P. Faustman, 190; H. Ingram and B. Hollis, 189.
Pioneer League
McDonald's 16 - 0
Grayling Rest 9 - 7
Cal Dutton Const. 9 - 7
T.C. Lawncare 8 - 8
"5" B's 6 - 10
Spicy Bob's 6 - 10
G.B.D. Const. 6 - 10

Tim's Collision 4 - 12
High Series: C. LaMotte, 569; J. Coors, 554; L. Golnick, 512.
High Game: C. LaMotte, 221; J. Coors, 201; M. Rock, 189.
Northwood League
Riverland Rowdies 17 - 11
Bud Lite Babes 16.5 - 11.5
Preston Heating 16 - 12
Pro Paint Princesses 14.5 - 13.5
Choppers Spare 14 - 14
High Series: P. Collen, 517; C. Moore, 496; P. LaPinta, 477.
High Game: P. LaPinta, 195; P. Collen, 194; M. Cole, 189.
American Men's League
Scheer Motors 38 - 11
McLeans ACE 33 - 16
West Side Diner 29 - 20
Derwich Ind 26 - 23
Moore's Auto 22 - 27
Fenton's Auto Serv. 22 - 27
GADCO 18 - 31
Grayling Chiropractic 8 - 41

High Series: Larry Davis, 667; Lonnie Davis, 599; J. Arwood, 592.
High Game: Larry Davis, 247; B. Harris, 235; J. Arwood, 220.
Sunday Mixed Doubles
Dennco 23 - 12
Cuts and More 22 - 13
Jerry's Jokers 21 - 14
Gray Rock Cafe #2 21 - 14
Little Tyke Daycare 19 - 16
Spikes 19 - 16
Gray Rock Cafe #1 11 - 24
River Rats 4 - 31
High Series Men: M. Cottrell, 588; B. Harris, 556; J. Meharg, 518.
High Game Men: M. Cottrell, 234; B. Harris, 226; J. Meharg, 214.
High Series Women: D. McNamara, 478; C. Wyatt, 455; T. Kirchoff, 422.
High Game Women: C. Wyatt, 178; T. Kirchoff, 168; D. McNamara, 167.

LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW.

ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.) may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Donald R. Burton, to Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.), dated July 13, 2000, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on August 1, 2000, in Liber 513, Page(s) 394, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$36,060.48, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Donald R. Burton, to Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.), together with interest at 11.00 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on March 14,

2007 at 10:00 a.m., in the Lobby of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Crawford, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST, THENCE SOUTH 1 DEGREE 24'00" WEST ALONG THE NORTH-SOUTH 1/4 LINE, 330.00 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 43'00" WEST, 584.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 25'00" WEST, 311.97 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 35'30" WEST, 584.15 FEET, THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREE 26'00" EAST 310.68 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 43'00" EAST, 584.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL BEING A PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 3, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST SUBJECT TO A 15.0 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT OVER THE EAST SIDE THEREOF. SAID EASEMENT TO BE USED FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS FOR THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. TOGETHER WITH AN EASEMENT 33.0 FEET WIDE LYING 16.5 FEET EACH SIDE OF AND ADJACENT TO A CENTERLINE DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 24'00" WEST ALONG THE NORTH-SOUTH 1/4 LINE, 956.50 FEET TO THE 1/8

LINE FOR THE PLACE OF ENDING. SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH A 66.00 FEET WIDE EASEMENT LYING 33.0 FEET EACH SIDE OF A CENTERLINE DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 24'00" WEST ALONG THE NORTH-SOUTH 1/4 LINE, 643.25 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 35'30" WEST, 634.15 FEET TO THE PLACE OF ENDING. A 60.0 FOOT RADIUS CIRCLE ALL OF WHICH IS INCLUDED IN THIS EASEMENT HAS AS ITS CENTER THE ABOVE NAMED POINT OF ENDING.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is found to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

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Dated: February 1, 2007
-8-15-22-1-8

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Todd H Nye and Kathleen J Nye, husband and wife, as joint tenants with the rights of survivorship to Option One Mortgage Corporation Mortgagee, dated October 7, 2005 and recorded October 25, 2005 in Liber 678 Page 63 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company,

as Trustee for the Certificateholders of Soundview Home Loan Trust 2006-0PT2, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-0PT2, by assignment dated October 27, 2006 and recorded November 13, 2006 in Liber 684, Page 119, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Seven Thousand Six Hundred One Dollars and Ninety-Three Cents (\$77,601.93) including interest 11.6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling, MI at 10:00AM on Wednesday, March 7, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A-1: A parcel of land situated in the Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, State of Michigan, being part of Parcel A as shown on the Certificate of Survey recorded in Liber 136, Page 88 in the South one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 6, Town 25 North, Range 3 West described as commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 6; thence North 00 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds East, along the West line of said section 919.83 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 00 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds East, along said section line, 196.62 feet; thence North 89 degrees 04 minutes' 50 seconds East 660.00; thence South 00 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds West 196.59 feet; thence South 89 degrees 04 minutes 45 seconds West 660.00 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the right of way of Oak Road over the Westerly 33 feet thereof

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The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: JANUARY 25, 2007 Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of Soundview Home Loan Trust 2006-0PT2, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-0PT2,

Notice City of Grayling Board of Review

The City of Grayling Board of Review will meet at the City Hall, 1020 City Blvd., Grayling, on the following dates:

Organizational Meeting: Tuesday, March 6, at 7:00 PM.

To Hear Taxpayer Petitions: Wednesday, March 14, 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon and 1:00 to 4:00 PM; Friday, March 16, 1:00 to 4:00 PM and 6:00 to 9:00 PM.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for real and personal property within the City of Grayling for 2007, are as follows:

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
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Personal	50.00	1.00000

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a(2)(3) and the American With Disabilities Act (ADA).

The City of Grayling will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting, upon seven (7) days notice to the City of Grayling.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the City of Grayling by writing or calling the following:

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Christie Verlac, Assessor

Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Edward Werthman, A Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated June 10, 2005, and recorded on August 15, 2005 in Liber 676 on Page 769, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Three Thousand Eighty-Two And 49/100 Dollars (\$63,082.49), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on March 7, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 32, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, Thence South 89 Degrees 17 Minutes East 33 Feet to the Point of Beginning, Thence South 89 Degrees 17 Minutes East on the East-West 1/4 Line of said Section 400 Feet, Thence North 00 Degrees 03 Minutes East 133 Feet, Thence North 89 Degrees 17 Minutes West 400 Feet, Thence South 00 Degrees 03 Seconds East to the Point of Beginning, but Reserving unto the Grantors Herein a 20 Foot Easement along the Southerly Edge of Such Property for Purposes of Ingress and Egress to the Property Immediately to the

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Dated: February 1, 2007
For more information, please call:
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STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

FILE NO. 06-7020 CH
KELLY FOY and MICHAEL FOY
Plaintiffs
VS
JAY RICHARD HAWKINS and
MICHELLE DANA HAWKINS
Defendant

CAREY & JASKOWSKI, P.L.L.C.
By: Richard J. Jaskowski (P47123)
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2373 S. I-75 Business Loop
P.O. Drawer 665
Grayling, MI 49738
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NOTICE OF LAND CONTRACT FORECLOSURE BY SALE

CAREY & JASKOWSKI, P.L.L.C., is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

In pursuance and by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, made and entered in the above-entitled cause on the 7th day of December, 2006, notice is hereby given that the Crawford County Clerk shall sell at public sale to the highest bidder, at the front door of the County Building in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan on the 16th day of March, 2007 at 10:00 in the forenoon, the following described property, located in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, to-wit: 116 Evergreen Drive, Grayling, Michigan 49738. Property tax number 040-45-780-00-076-00 and otherwise known as Lots 76, 77, 78 Riverside and consists of a residential lot with residential dwelling, including an attached garage.

CAREY & JASKOWSKI, P.L.L.C.
By: Richard J. Jaskowski (P47123)

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SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING & ANNUAL MEETING FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL FUNDS

The South Branch Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed Township Budget for fiscal year 2007-2008 at South Branch Township Hall, 5245 N. M-18, Roscommon, MI 48653 on February 13th, 2007 in conjunction with the regular board meeting. Final adoption of the 2007-2008 budget will take place during the annual meeting, scheduled to follow the regular meeting of March 13th, 2007 @ 7:00 p.m.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of the hearing.

A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the South Branch Township Hall.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended, MCLA 41.72a(2)(3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act. The South Branch Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 10 days notice to the Township Board. Individuals with disabilities should contact the Board by writing or calling Lynn George Clerk, South Branch Township Hall, P.O. Box 606, Roscommon, MI 48653. (989) 275-8232.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CRAWFORD COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

PROPOSED STATE AND FEDERAL SECTION 5311 APPLICATION FOR OPERATING AND CAPITAL ASSISTANCE

All citizens are advised that the Crawford County Transportation Authority (CCTA) has prepared an application for State of Michigan financial assistance for fiscal year 2008, as required under Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as amended, and for federal Section 5311 assistance as required under the Federal Transit Act, as amended.

CCTA is requesting Five Hundred Eighty Thousand Five Hundred Forty Dollars (\$588,540) in state assistance for general public transit services; Two Hundred Twenty Eight Five Hundred Ninety (\$228,590) in Federal Section 5311 operating assistance; and approximately One Million Seven Hundred Four Thousand Five Dollars (\$1,704,500) for facility renovation and expansion, replacement buses, equipment and other undertakings as are eligible for capital project support.

The proposed application is on file at the CCTA administrative offices. Interested parties may schedule an appointment to review the application by telephoning 348-8215.

Written comments regarding the application and/or written requests for a public hearing to review the application must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 14, 2007. If a hearing is requested, notice of the scheduled date, time and location will be provided at least 10 days in advance.

Requests should be mailed to:

Crawford County Transportation Authority
4276 W. North Down River Road
Grayling, Michigan 49738

LEGAL ACTION

MORTGAGE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Clara Silk, a single woman, to Aggressive Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 30, 1998 and recorded April 6, 1998 in Liber 450, Page 490, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by EMC Mortgage Corporation by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Nineteen Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Two and 67/100 Dollars (\$19,632.67) including interest at 11.9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on FEBRUARY 21, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point 297 feet South of the Northwest corner of the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 36, Town 25 North, Range 2 West; running thence East 80 rods; thence South 132 feet; thence West 80 rods; thence North 132 feet to the place of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: January 18, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000 File No. 199.3572
-18-25-1-8

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Peter Reuter, a married man and Carol Reuter, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 16, 2004, and recorded on December 30, 2004 in Liber 673 on Page 132, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Six Hundred Seventy And 42/100 Dollars (\$106,670.42), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on February 21, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 3/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 and the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, Section 25, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, except the Southerly and Southerly 33 feet thereof for road purposes.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.
Dated: January 18, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC X 248.593.1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #123672F01
-18-25-1-8

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jane A. Marshall, A Single Woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 23, 2004, and recorded on December 28, 2004 in Liber 673 on Page 49, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Indymac Bank F.S.B. as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Nine Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Nine And 32/100 Dollars (\$209,579.32), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on March 7, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South One-Half of Lot 7, Entire Lots 8 and 9 excepting the South 30 Feet of Lot 9, Moon River Heights Subdivision. Together with an undivided interest in Beaver Dam Park and Beaver Lane.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 1, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC F 248.593.1313
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30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #119705F03
-1-8-15-22

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeani Stepeke, An Unmarried Woman and Larry M. Ebersole, A Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 2005, and recorded on November 28, 2005 in Liber 678 on Page 684, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-One And 79/100 Dollars (\$122,881.79), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on March 7, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: That part of the West half of Section 11, Township 28 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan, Described as follows: Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 11; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 44 seconds East along the North-South quarter line of said Section 11 a distance of 1327.05 feet to a concrete monument found at the eighth corner of said Section 11; thence continuing along said North-South quarter line North 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds East 1529.49 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 19 seconds West 1104.91 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing South 89 degrees 56 minutes 19 seconds West 466.01 feet to an intermediate traverse line along Kolkra Creek; thence South 00 degrees 40 minutes 32 seconds West along said traverse line 199.61 feet; thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 19 seconds East 470.09 feet; thence North 00 degrees 27 minutes 33 seconds West 199.74 feet to the point of beginning, Crawford County Records. The North and South Lot lines extend Westerly to Kolkra Creek. Together with and subject to a 66 foot wide driveway and utility easement for ingress and egress from Twin Peaks Road being 33.0 feet each side of the following described centerline: Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 11; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 44 seconds East along the North-South quarter line of said Section 11 a distance of 1327.05 feet to concrete monument found at the eighth

corner of said Section 11; thence continuing along said North-South quarter line North 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds East 1529.49 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 19 seconds West 660.87 feet to the point of beginning of this centerline description; thence South 04 degrees 24 minutes 39 seconds West 103.69 feet; thence South 01 degrees 54 minutes 34 seconds West 329.63 feet; thence South 05 degrees 34 minutes 34 seconds West 354.39 feet to the centerline of Twin Peaks Road and the point of ending of this centerline description. Also together with and subject to a 30 foot wide driveway and utility easement for ingress and egress from a private drive being 15.0 feet each side of the following described centerline: Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 11; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 44 seconds East along the North-South quarter line of said Section 11 a distance of 1327.05 feet to a concrete monument found at the eighth corner of said Section 11; thence continuing along said North-South quarter line North 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds East 1529.49 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 19 seconds West 660.87 feet; thence South 04 degrees 24 minutes 39 seconds West 103.69 feet thence South 01 degrees 54 minutes 34 seconds West 81.52 feet to the point of beginning of this centerline description; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 19 seconds West 431.87 feet to the point of ending of this centerline description, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 1, 2007
For more information, please call:
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-1-8-15-22

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Nicole Babbitt a married woman and Raymond Babbitt a married man, joint tenancy with full rights of survivor ship., original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 13, 2005, and recorded on July 6, 2005 in Liber 676 on Page 156, and assigned by said Mortgagee to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand Two Hundred Sixty And 88/100 Dollars (\$90,260.88), including interest at 5.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on February 28, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 307.5 feet of Lot 4, the East half of Lot 5 and Lot 6, Block 6, Brink's Park, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 1, Page 33, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 25, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC C 248.593.1301
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File #114196F03
-25-1-8-15

MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Darrel M. Sauter, a single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for NovaStar Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 12, 2006 and recorded August 10, 2006 in

Liber 682, Page 746, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Three and 19/100 Dollars (\$98,203.19) including interest at 9.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on FEBRUARY 21, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel A-1: Being part of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 13, Town 26 North, Range 4 West. Commencing at the North one-quarter corner of said Section 13, thence South 00 degrees 31 minutes 00 seconds East 1317.38 feet (recorded as 1318.0 feet); thence North 89 degrees 48 minutes 52 seconds East 805.82 feet (recorded as North 89 degrees 47 minutes 30 seconds East 806.0 feet); thence North 00 degrees 16 minutes 49 seconds West (recorded as North 00 degrees 19 minutes West) 187.73 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 00 degrees 16 minutes 49 seconds West 210.58 feet; thence South 64 degrees 26 minutes 14 seconds West (recorded as South 64 degrees 24 minutes 42 seconds West) 148.35 feet; thence South 00 degrees 29 minutes 52 seconds East 146.99 feet; thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 36 seconds East 133.54 feet to the place of beginning. Together with a 66 foot wide easement for ingress and egress as recorded in certificate of survey recorded in Liber 290, Page 46, Liber 329, page 262 and Liber 598, Pages 508 through 510, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: January 18, 2007
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-18-25-1-8

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald Passino, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 25, 2003, and recorded on December 16, 2003 in Liber 662 on Page 227, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand Seventy-Eight And 80/100 Dollars (\$100,078.80), including interest at 12.15% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on February 21, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 40 Red Wing Terrace according to the recorded plat thereof

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 18, 2007
For more information, please call:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Yvonne Kiernan, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 27, 2005, and recorded on October 6, 2005 in Liber 677 on Page 820, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Six And 14/100 Dollars (\$103,586.14), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on February 21, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 224, Northern Heights, Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 2, Page 27, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 18, 2007
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Corey Rock, a single man and Kristen Gilmore, an adult woman, original mortgagor(s), to First National Bank of Gaylord, Mortgagee, dated April 10, 2003, and recorded on April 17, 2003 in Liber 629 on Page 230, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Three And 32/100 Dollars (\$54,803.32), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on February 21, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, Section 5, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.
Dated: January 18, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Aaron S. Blaine and Joann D. Blaine, husband and wife, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2003 and recorded August 21, 2003 in Liber 648, Page 584, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wachovia Bank, N.A. as trustee for CHASE 2003-5 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Four and 79/100 Dollars (\$84,364.79) including interest at 10.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on FEBRUARY 21, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

West 200 feet of South one-half of South one-half of Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of, Section 23, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, Township of Frederick, Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: January 18, 2007
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ann M. Patterson, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 16, 2005 and recorded December 22, 2005 in Liber 679, Page 138, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-One and 05/100 Dollars (\$62,261.05) including interest at 9.85% per annum.


Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on FEBRUARY 21, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 7 and 8, Harting Pines Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 45, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: January 18, 2007
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1. Real Estate

Real Estate Auction

Thursday, Feb. 15, 2007
at 10 a.m. on location.
Property is located at:
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1. Real Estate

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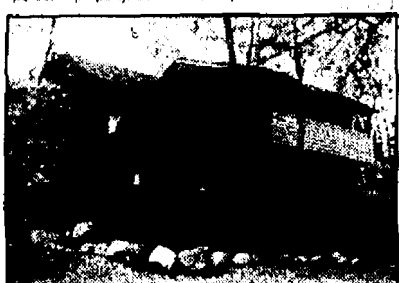


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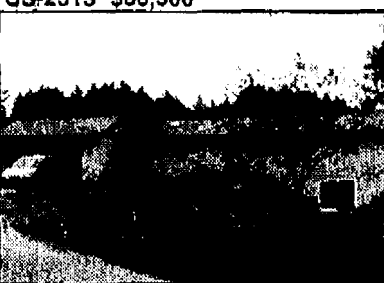
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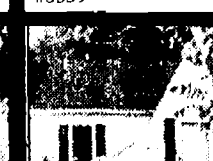
**122' of frontage on the upper AuSable
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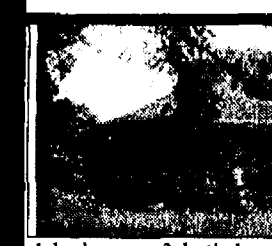
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residential area. Includes 9.22
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Just Listed
Great location for all 4 seasons.
Sits across the road from
Wakely Lake, adjoins state land
behind the home, just minutes
from the AuSable River and
South Branch of the AuSable
River. #249098 \$78,500

Just Listed
Residential lot. 3 bed-
rooms and 2 bathrooms.
#249095 \$239,900

Just Listed
Cozy home/cabin offers everything that
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in this 2 bedroom, 1 bath, riverside deck,
original stone fireplace, furniture and all
the wildlife you want. Just bring your
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#249076 \$259,900

VACANT LAND
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#249093 \$29,900
Lots 356 & 237 in Warbler's Hideaway. Great view of the East Branch of
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Privacy and wildlife comes with this 10 acre parcel. Property is a square 10 perfect for
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that needs a little TLC, well, no electric and a large white shed. #243082 \$27,000
Nice building site on paved road, utilities available, well and septic on
property but seller does not guarantee condition. #244334 \$12,000
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are an outdoors person! 77 acres with river frontage. #245887 \$190,250

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2. For Rent
GRAYLING PINES APARTMENTS 595 Meadows Drive in Grayling, is currently accepting applications for a beautiful, spacious 2 bedroom apartment on the 2nd floor. Grayling Pines is a family community. Rent starts at \$605 a month. Section 8 vouchers welcome. Please call Peggy at (989) 344-0020 for an application or more information. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD 1-800-649-3777. (-8/2)

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FOR RENT Three bedroom, two bath home located in Beaver Creek Township. \$650 per month, plus security deposit and references. (989) 619-9689. (-1-8/2)

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HAIR STYLIST for part-time position with experience and some clientele preferred. Please send resume to: P.O. Box 334, Roscommon, MI 48653. (-1-8/3)

DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES Hilltop Manor Healthcare Center is currently recruiting for the position of Director of Social Services. This is an excellent opportunity for a caring, compassionate, licensed social worker. Primary job responsibilities include working with facility management to ensure the social services needs of the facility's residents are met, and working one on one with residents related to the social services component of care. Qualified candidates must hold a Social Work license in the state of Michigan and have experience in the nursing home setting. We offer a competitive wage and benefits package. Candidates may submit resumes and salary requirements in confidence to Kyle Fassett, Administrator, Hilltop Manor Healthcare Center, 1290 East Michigan Highway, Roscommon, MI 48653, via fax at 989-275-4808, or via email at admin@hilltopmanorhealth.com. EOE. (-8-15-22/3)

OFFICE CLERK Computer experience, must possess good typing and customer service skills, QuickBooks a plus, part-time. Send resumes to: Hometown Heating and Cooling, 6840 W. M-72, Grayling, MI 49738. Attn: Bob. No phone calls please. (-8-15/3)

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3. Employment

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5. For Sale

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6. Wanted

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7. Miscellaneous

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8. Announcements

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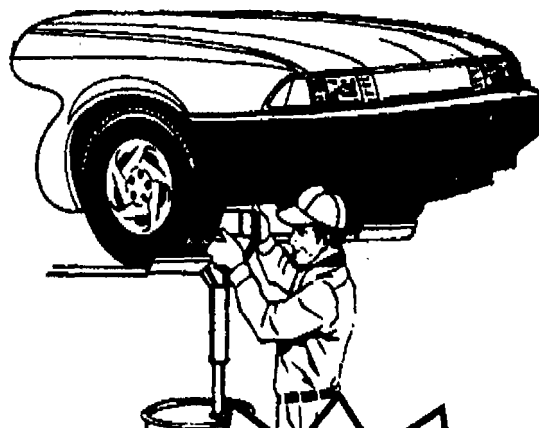
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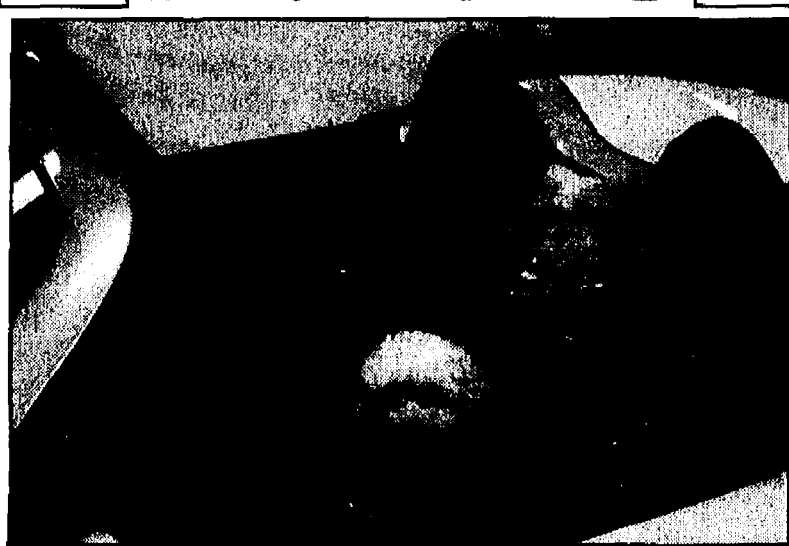
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